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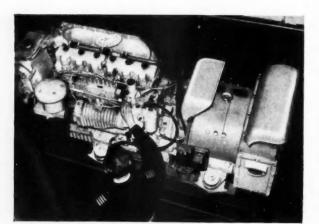
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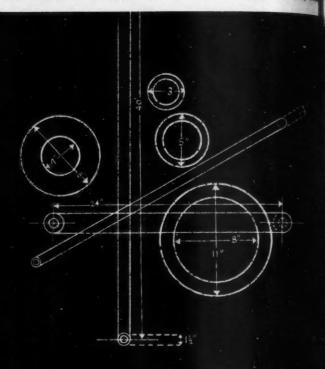
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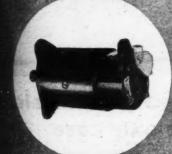
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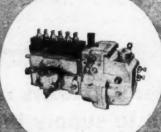


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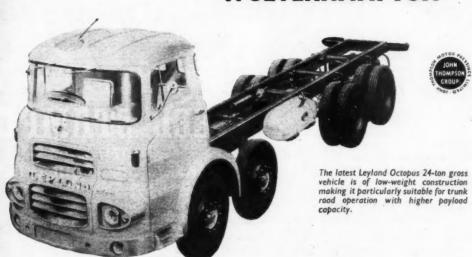


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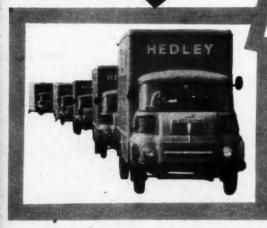
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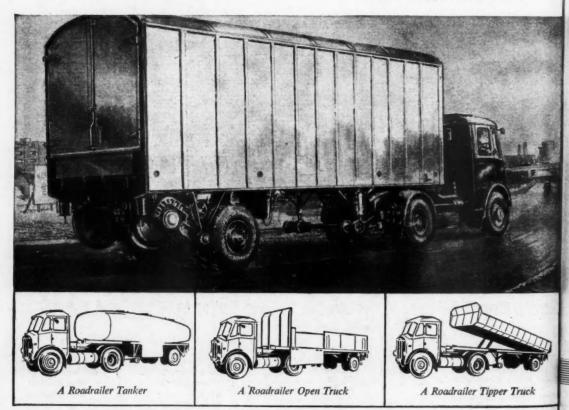
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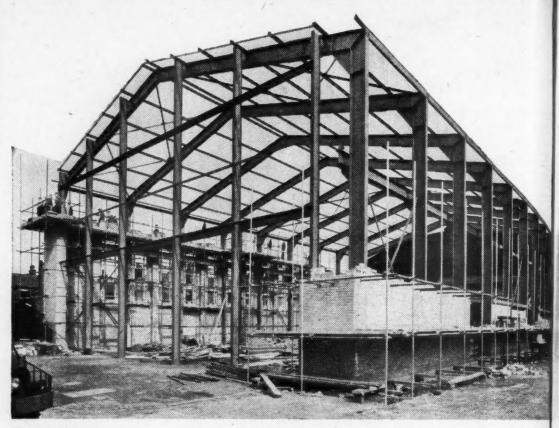
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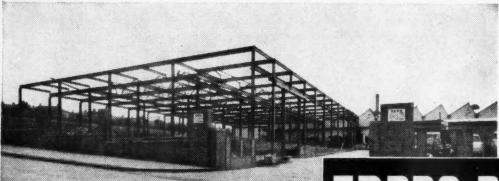
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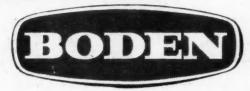


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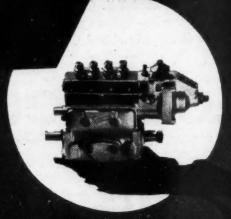
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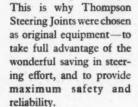
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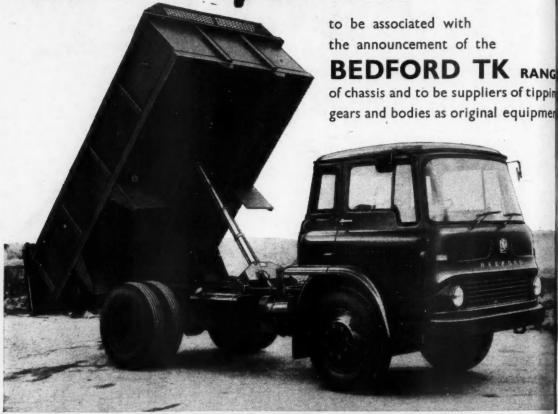


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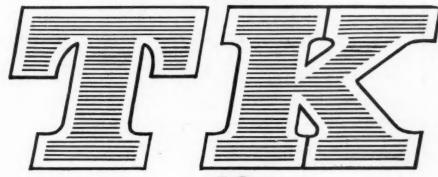
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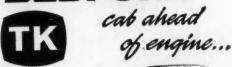
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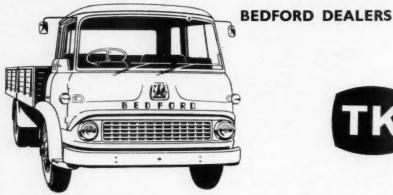
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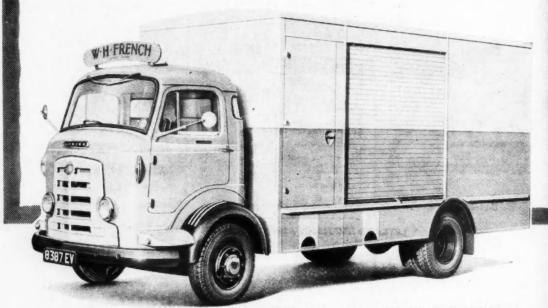
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Literal Lunacy

HERE flagrant breaches of the law on drivers' hours and rest periods occur, offenders should be severely punished. Their defection endangers public safety and gives the operators concerned a competitive advantage over law-abiding users. Wilful offences of this nature, however, represent a small proportion of the total number of "hours" prosecutions. In most instances, excessive hours have been worked through lack of supervision, or through the desire of drivers to suit themselves. If a warning is considered to be too mild, disapproval of first offenders can be adequately marked by the issue of a token number of summonses and the imposition of reasonable fines. The duplication of charges is greatly to be deprecated.

But vexatious prosecutions based solely on technical grounds do no good to anyone. They victimize operators, cause animosity towards Licensing Authorities or the police, and tend to discredit the law. Such a case occurred last month in Preston magistrates' court, when a reputable night trunk operator was fined £1 on each of 14 charges of permitting men to drive for more than 11 hours in any period of 24 commencing at 2 a.m. The drivers were fined 10s. for each parallel offence.

The prosecution stated that through calculating the drivers' "days" to start at 2 p.m., the records showed that only 11 hours had been worked, and it was agreed that the men had not driven more than the permitted hours in any week. But the law stated that the "day" must be reckoned from 2 a.m.

In announcing the magistrates' decision, the chairman of the bench said they were treating the charges as technical offences. They would have been well justified in discharging the defendants on payment of costs, instead of imposing fines.

Night-time Anomaly

The Commercial Motor has investigated this case and is satisfied that the operator ensured that his drivers, during their normal spell of duty, did not drive continuously for more than 5½ hours or, in the aggregate, for more than 11 hours. They also had the requisite 10-hour period of rest. On paper, an offence had been committed because the men's working "day" had been calculated—and reasonably, in the circumstances—from 2 p.m., instead of 2 a.m. It is ludicrous to claim that a night trunker's working "day" consists of the tail-end of one spell of duty and the beginning of another.

As Section 73 of the Road Traffic Act, 1960, expressly states, drivers' hours are restricted to protect the public against risks which might otherwise arise through excessive fatigue. The section can, therefore, be viewed only in that light. To charge an operator with what amounts to disregard for public safety when, in practice, he has done all that the law reasonably requires of him, is capricious in the extreme.

Even 30 years ago the requirement in Section 19 of the Road Traffic Act, 1930, that the period of 24 hours should commence "two hours after midnight" was, at best, arbitrary. It was inconsistent with the provision immediately following that the period of 10 hours' consecutive rest should be calculated "from the commencement of any period of driving."

driving."

The endeavours of the road transport industry to offer its customers speedier delivery by the expansion of overnight services—both inland and to the docks for export—should not be jeopardized by an interpretation of the Road Traffic Act far removed from the intent of the original legislators. The time spent in preparing such a prosecution is certainly not consistent with repeated claims by Licensing Authorities that their offices are overworked and understaffed.

Packed Power

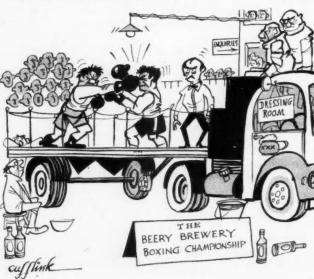
THE application of a power pack to the rear axle of a new rigid eight-wheeled tanker of integral aluminium construction may have created an important precedent. Admittedly, this position was chosen because no suitable pack for mounting at the front was available. Front-wheel drive, with the engine in the cab, could equally well have been employed without sacrifice of payload area. It is, however, the principle of the power pack, already adopted in passenger transport, that has significant possibilities.

Elimination of drive shafts from the main loadcarrying area can be exploited in some applications to increase the load space available at a low level. A power pack also enables unladen weight to be appreciably reduced and the engine can easily be withdrawn for maintenance or overhaul. Of more general interest, however, is the facility with which a power pack and standard running gear can be incorporated in special types of vehicle. Many bodybuilders are fully qualified by their engineering experience to apply them to vehicles of their own design.

Cheaper Aluminium Construction

Authorities on light-alloy fabrication say that a power pack gives increased scope for integral construction of rigid vehicles. Latest advances in welding techniques and in the production of sheet aluminium give promise that shortly the overall cost of employing this metal will be substantially reduced. The ease with which large aluminium sections can be handled is a favourable factor in small-scale production and changes can be made to an all-welded light-alloy structure without undue complication.

An efficient hydrostatic system having a pump and independent motors would afford all the advantages of a power pack and give greater flexibility in design. The power unit could be placed in any position and the drive transmitted through pipes to any of the axles without the use of shafts or gear trains.



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promising developments. The possibility of mechanical power for the farming community caught the Fodens' imagination and in 1884 the factory's first steam traction engine was produced for threshing and haulage purposes. It was from this that the massively built Foden steam wagon, with its locomotive-type boiler, was developed for the War Office Trials of 1901. After serving the civilian market during the intervening years under the special sponsorship of William Foden, it did much good work for the Army during the 1914-18 war. During that time the entire production of the factory was taken over by the Government.

Turning back to 1900, when the whole country was celebrating the relief of Mafeking in a yet earlier war, Mr. Foden, sen., suggested the formation of a local band, in which William Foden, together with his brother and brother-in-law, at first played. Soon, however, they were chased out of it by father, who insisted that their standard was not up to his expectations. He was determined that Elworth should have the best band in the land and his aspirations were fulfilled. Mr. William's interest in it never flagged and to this day he is a frequent visitor not only to the concerts of the Foden Motor Works Band but also on their practice evenings.

Fodens, Ltd., became a public company in 1911 and about 13 years later, at an age when the average man is starting to look forward to his retirement, William Foden left his native Cheshire to take up sheep farming in Australia. The control of the business passed into other hands, but after a few years the rank and file at Sandbach wanted "the Guv'nor" back again. They wrote to tell him so, and William Foden was once more at the head of affairs in the Elworth plant. He rejoined the board in March, 1935, and became managing director in the following October.

End of Steam

The staff of Fodens had a strong sentimental regard for the old steam wagons, but unfortunately these vehicles had to be driven, as well as made, by engineers. Times were changing and towards the end of the 'twenties William Foden wrote from Australia, recommending that the company should make oil-engined vehicles with Gardner power The idea was taken up. The new model was designed from scratch as a diesel, for Fodens had never entered the petrol field, and in 1931 the works began the manufacture of the oil-engined vehicles for which they have since become famous.

On June 1, 1951, William Foden handed over the managing directorship to other members of the family, the position now being held jointly by Mr. J. E. Foden, Mr. R. G. Foden and Mr. E. Twemlow. Mr. William then assumed the position of governing director, in which he is still fully active. He can be seen at his desk every day of the week around 9 a.m., staying until mid-afternoon, and even making tours of inspection round the plant at week-ends.

Back in 1856, when Edwin Foden took up his partnership at Elworth, a staff of about 30 sufficed; now some 2,000 employees are required to meet the calls for the company's products that come from practically every corner of the world. Mr. William's regret is that with so large a number it is impossible to remember everyone personally. Those who have served the company "man and boy," and many others besides, are known to the governing director by their Christian names. He takes a very special pride in the sociable atmosphere that pervades the Foden organization, seeing in it the spirit that brings true team work to so many of the factory's activities.

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S.P.D. Scheme for 42-hour Week Announced

42-HOUR working week has been negotiated with S.P.D. Transport, Ltd., the Transport and General Workers' Union announced this week. It came into effect in August and, a spokesman for S.P.D. told The Commercial Motor on Tuesday, has not resulted in any serious complaints.

S.P.D. is the road transport undertaking of the Unilever Group. It runs some 700 vehicles on C licences. The 42-hour week affects about 1,650 drivers and warehousemen. It is tied up with S.P.D.'s consolidated wage scheme, which has been in force for a little over a year now.

The introduction of the 42-hour week has meant a small increase in the hourly rate, to adjust wages to the same level as under a 44-hour week. Some staff earn about 3s. 6d. a week more under the new working week, but it is because of the basic rate adjustments rather than because definite increases in pay were sought.

Under the consolidated wage scheme, a limited amount of overtime work is covered, and the same hours are brought forward for the 42-hour week.

"Evidence Was Not Borne Out

SOME of the evidence given on behalf of Reader Bros., Ltd., Hull, when they applied for additional vehicles in 1958 (The Commercial Motor, June 27, 1958) had not been borne out in practice. It also appeared that some of their vehicles were being hired out to other people.

The Yorkshire Licensing Authority, Maj. F. S. Eastwood, said this at Bridlington last week after hearing evidence by a market gardener that Reader Bros.' vehicles had been late in collecting produce for Sheffield Market, arriving on some occasions between 1 a.m. and 3 a.m.

K. and J. Wheeler, Victoria Rd., Beverley, asked permission to vary the conditions of a B-licensed vehicle by adding: "the collection of market garden produce and containers within 15 miles of Hull for delivery within 100 miles." There were three objectors, including Reader Bros.

Mr. H. Walford, secretary of Reader Bros., submitted that the complaints were isolated instances and that his company gave a good service that was satisfactory to the majority of their customers.

Granting the application with a 50-mile radius, Maj. Eastwood commented that Reader Bros. would have to justify previous claims on renewal. They had been granted additional B-licensed vehicles for a 6 a.m. service to Sheffield Market and he had seen loaded Reader vehicles arriving at 9.30 a.m.

B.R.S. MAN EMBEZZLED TAKINGS

55-YEAR-OLD British Road Services A 55-YEAR-OLD British Road School Assistant depot superintendent was fined a total of £60 by Croydon (Surrey) magistrates last week on four charges of embezzlement. He was Stanley John Smith, of Purley Way, Croydon. He pleaded guilty to embezzling from British Road Services a total of £8 4s. 2d., and asked for 36 other offences involving £32 2s. 6d. to be taken into consideration.

The magistrates were told that Smith had been in his post for 12 years. He had failed to enter amounts received from customers on the collection sheet and pocketed the money. In a statement to the police he said that it was seeing the bank staff drawing wages comparable with his own that made him do it.

Coventry-London Service Along M1

MIDLAND "Red" began its second express service using M1 last week when a Coventry-London express service was inaugurated. The vehicles used are B.M.M.O.'s specially designed C.M.5 37-seat single-deckers with disc brakes on all four wheels and rubber suspension. They have turbocharged engines.

Midland "Red" now runs Coventry-London services, the existing one via Rugby, Daventry, Towcester and Dunstable, and the new motorway service. Travelling via the motorway saves two hours on the journey time. Passengers can book for either service at the same fare and can travel up by one and back on the other service if they wish.

Experience with the London-Birmingham motorway service has shown that c14

passengers generally prefer the motorway Three journeys in each direction are to be made daily on the Coventry-London motorway service. The coach on the inaugural run was accompanied by a second vehicle carrying Mr. E. C. Tuff, Midland "Red" chief engineer, Mr. R. Brandon, traffic manager, other company officials and a party of iournalists.

RAIL STAFF PROBLEMS

UTS in railway freight and passenger services may have to be made in the north-western area this winter if the staff situation does not improve, a British Railways spokesman said last week. The area is 1,824 short on staff, and is experiencing difficulty in recruiting.

LONDON OPERATORS SEEK FARES RISE

ALL fares on express services (including excursions and tours) to certain destinations from within the Metropolitan Police District and from Brentwood will be revised if a recommendation by No. 6 Regional Committee on Fares is upheld by the Metropolitan Traffic Commissioner.

The committee has recommended that fares should be revised on the basis of single and period returns being increased by 81 per cent. and day-return fares by 64 per cent. There are a few exceptions to certain day-return fares being increased The by the same amount. The Commissioner is to hear the application in London on September 29.

Further Talks on Staff Shortage

FURTHER talks on the platform sta shortage in London Transport wer held on Monday morning.

The talks were again adjourne until September 13. The situation being discussed by members of the London Transport Executive and the London busmen's negotiating committee London The bus staff want a reduction in the differential of £2 14s. 2d. which separate central London bus drivers from t underground railway motormen.

It was reported this week that 7,45 platform staff at 25 garages have no signed the petition on staff shortage which calls for a public inquiry into the London wage structure and is to be pre sented to Mr. Frank Cousins, gener secretary of the Transport and Genera To b Workers Union.

On Monday evening, after a length of cer meeting at Transport House, the Londor vehic busmen's negotiating committeexpressed "anger and alarm" at wha it described as "this further unnecessary delay." The members of the committee discourtesy on the part of the Executive peal

In an official statement, the negotiating committee said that London Transport re-tes advised the T.G.W.U. of its desire tote has cancel the meeting late on Friday after Vehice noon, with a view of affording further time to consider the situation.

Because of staff difficulties, London train Transport has for some time virtually as ref banned the use of double-deckers for private hire.

FARES CUT TO BOOST TRAFFIC

O encourage traffic from Mancheste 1 to Blackpool Illuminations, Ribbb on at Motor Services, Ltd., North Western Road Car Co., Ltd., and Lancashir United Transport, Ltd., have reduced the Illuminations end on October 17 RIV fares on their services to the resort until The ordinary day return after 2 p.m. will be 6s. instead of 7s.

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Vehicle Testing Starts on Monday: N.U.V.B. Want More Certificates for Licence Renewals

TESTING of vehicles registered 10 years or more ago will begin in this country on Monday. It will at first be confined to tests conducted on vehicles voluntarily submitted, but after a reasonable interval to enable operators to acquire test certificates the tests will be made compulsory. The eventual intention is that the test certificate will have to be produced each time in order to renew the excise licence for the vehicle.

Some 12,000 examiners have so far been nted and 64 local authorities have ablished test stations. Among the micipalities are some who operate bus dertakings, such as Lytham St. Annes, eston, Lancaster and Darwen Transport artments.

creased The Minister of Transport, Mr. Ernest larples, has stated that it is his intenon eventually to make the tests apply vehicles registered less than 10 years

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AFFIC Copies of the Motor Vehicles (Test) nchester tained from the Stationery Office or Ribble on any bookseller, price 1s. 6d. net.

BREWERS' MEN GET MORE SUBSISTENCE PAY

ber 17 RIVERS and mates employed by ber II. H. and G. Simonds, Ltd., the brewers, m. will be had their night subsistence increased

Roadrailer on Offer to Hauliers

BRITISH RAILWAYS spokesman Aannounced in London on Tuesday, during a Press demonstration of the Roadrailer (The Commercial Motor, last week), that this novel semi-trailer which has alternative road or rail running gear will eventually be available for purchase by road hauliers. Provided that the privately owned vehicles met British Railways' specification and maintenance standards, they would be accepted as rail traffic in the same manner as containers were at present, he said.

It was suggested that British Railways, who have two experimental Roadrailers in use, might be operating 1,000 of them in three years' time. Use of Roadrailers might allow further cuts in freight rates.

The two experimental Roadrailers have already been tested on rail at speeds up to 85 m.p.h. and, when used in trains, would operate at average speeds of about 70 m.p.h. This compares with the average speed of just over 50 m.p.h. achieved by the existing Condor express freight service.

No price can yet be quoted for the Roadrailer in production form. The integral 11-ton semi-trailer, which weighs 5 tons unladen, is manufactured by the Pressed Steel Co., Ltd., and will be exhibited on their stand at the Commercial Motor Show.

Young Members

AT the Trades Union Congress in Douglas, I.o.M., on Monday, a motion calling for increased action to attract young people into trades union membership-sponsored by the National Union of Vehicle Builders—was accepted. Speaking on the motion, Mr. F. F. Winchester, secretary, expressed serious concern at the need to recruit young unionists. He called for an examination of the steps necessary to attract young people.

"Are the non-unionists to blame or are we to blame; let us examine our own consciences," said Sir Tom O'Brien, replying for the General Council.

In his presidential address, Mr. C. Bartlett condemned unofficial strikes; reckless disregard for national agreements could lead to chaos, he said.

FIRST ADDITION FOR 27 YEARS

HAULAGE firm which has been in A business for over 60 years and, since 1933, has never applied for additional facilities, was granted another vehicle by the Western Licensing Authority, Mr. S. W. Nelson, in Bristol last week. The firm was T. Parrott and Son, coal merchants, of Churchill Road, Brislington. They sought an extra B-licensed vehicle of 3 tons unladen weight to carry builders' materials, fertilizers, scrap iron and coal and coke within 100 miles. British Railways and British Road Services objected. Evidence was given of difficulty in maintaining an adequate supply of coal by rail.

NEW PLANS FOR BURY STATION

NEW plan for Bury's central bus station was approved in principle last week, together with a new motorway by-pass to skirt the town centre as part of a comprehensive central development plan at Bury.



This is an example of the new Bedford range of vehicles which is fully described on pages 168-171. Supplied by Normand, Ltd., to Schweppes, Ltd., it has been entered for the final of the Lorry Driver of the Year Competition on September 18 at Birmingham. Bodywork is by King and Taylor, Ltd.

Men in the News

MR. W. E. PEARSON has resigned from the board of Leyland Motors, Ltd.

MR. G. R. FRANCIS has been promoted to the post of traction engineer, British United Traction, Ltd.

MR. W. J. MILLER, commercial assistant of the Liverpool Transport Department, retired last week after 48 years with the department.

MR. F. L. Snow has been appointed assistant district manager, motor division, in the Perivale (Middlesex) branch of Kerry's (Great Britain), Ltd.

MR. R. B. FRASER has been elected a director of the Mobil Oil Co., Ltd., in charge of manufacturing. He succeeds MR. J. BLAKE MIDDLETON, who is to

MR. JOHN BOARDMAN, deputy chairman of the Burtonwood Engineering Co., Ltd., has returned from a four-week course in business management in the United

MR. JOHN C. HURN, general technical consultant of Crypton Equipment, Ltd., has been appointed manager of the company's new educational and training division.

MR. R. FELGATE has been appointed sales executive (northern accounts) for Rubery Owen and Co., Ltd. Mr. R. MAXWELL SINCLAIR has been appointed motor division European representative for the company.

MR. H. H. LANSDELL has relinquished his position as advertising manager of Brown Brothers, Ltd., but will continue as a consultant. MR. F. A. GREENSLADE has been promoted to the post of advertising manager and Mr. R. Wyatt takes over his former position as assistant.

MR. GEOFFREY COZENS, formerly managing director of Commer Cars, Ltd., and still a member of the board of directors, is to leave on September 22 for a 35,000-mile tour of commercial vehicle markets throughout the world. He will visit 12 countries in a 4½-month-long investigation.

MR. G. A. SMITH, managing director of John Smith (Keighley), Ltd., a subsidiary of Thomas W. Ward, Ltd., was succeeded by Mr. FREDERICK JOHNSON this week as general manager of the company and as a director. Mr. Smith will still be associated with the concern in a consultative capacity.

MR. T. R. R. HARRIES, Swindon district traffic superintendent, Bristol Omnibus Co., Ltd., was last week presented with gifts from his colleagues before leaving for a new position as Plymouth area traffic superintendent of the Western National Omnibus Co., Ltd. Mr. Harries has been chairman of the Swindon group of the Institute of Transport for the past 18 months. His successor at Swindon is MR. D. F. Howe,

MR. W. ADAMS, tours superintendent of London Coastal Coaches, Ltd., is to leave on October 1 to join Southdown Motor Services, Ltd. His successor is MR. C. EMBLETON, at present assistant traffic assistant.

MR. JOSEPH GERALD GRIFFITHS, a British Road Services cadet who was awarded a Henry Spurrier memorial scholarship by the Institute of Transport recently, left for America on Monday to take up his scholarship. He will study the operation of road transport as a freight feeder to air transport. Griffiths, who is 29, plans to return on October 29. He is employed by the B.R.S. Preston district depot.

OBITUARY

WE regret to record the deaths of MR. W. E. ROGERS, MR. W. A. HAZLETT, MR. ARTHUR W. Cox and MR. J. D.

Mr. Rogers, who was formerly general manager of Solex, Ltd., was one of the original members of Solex when it became a separate company in 1925.

Mr. Hazlett was from 1937 to 1955 managing director of the Goodyear Tyre and Rubber Co. (Gt. Britain), Ltd. He was 73 years old.

Mr. Cox, who was 78, was in business for 40 years as a haulier at Llangynidr. Brecknockshire, South Wales.

Mr. Milner was manager of Ferodo, Ltd., in the Irish Republic. He died in Dublin at the age of 53. He had been with Ferodo for 33 years, and served in London before taking up his appointment in Eire in June of last year.

PROFIT AND LOSS

Oldham and Son, Ltd., £227,843 group net profit after £183,127 tax. Year's dividends 171 per cent.

B.R. Withdraw in Coal Case

OPPOSITION by British Railways an application which sought add tional facilities for the carriage of co by road was withdrawn at Bristol, la week. Mr. T. D. Corpe, for C. Rudru and Sons, Ltd., Henbury, near Bristo who applied for B licence variations, an the replacement of a vehicle of 2 tons I cwt. by an 8½ tonner, observed that it was significant that the normal fierce opp sition of the railways in such cases ha been withdrawn in view of their inability to meet demands.

The application was supported by fi coal factors who expected transp difficulties in the winter, and Mr. Rudrum, a director, told M. S. Nelson, Western Licensing Authori that the position was so serious that th had enlisted the help of the local M.P.

However, Minal Bros. of Clutte coal merchants and hauliers, disagree with the evidence of the coal factor They said that their coal allocation has been halved and considered that a gray would provide excess facilities.

Their representatives, however, agree with Mr. Corpe that one of the support ing factors had also supported a successfi grant for additional vehicles made Minal Bros, quite recently.

Mr. Nelson, who made a grant requested, said that he had be impressed by the evidence.

ONE-WAY IN BLACKPOOL

ONE-WAY traffic regulations we imposed on Blackpool Promenad between Starr Gate and Red Bank Roa from yesterday until October 17, who the illuminations are switched off. Un October 1, the Order will be effective from 6 p.m. and from then un October 17 it will operate from 5.30 p.s



This wintry scene may not be associated with conditions in Australia, but it at least demonstrates that the Snowy Mountains are not misnamed. Blizzards are a common hazard in this area of the country, and snow is prevalent for five or six months a year. A convoy of vehicles is seen here led by a Leyland Hippo tractor hauling a Lima 40-ton shovel to the Tumit 1 road near Cabramurra.

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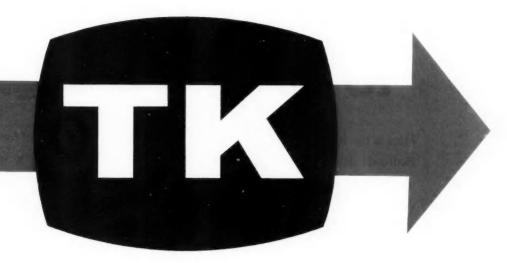
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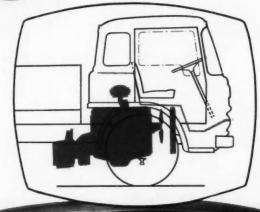
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Coast Lines to Expand by Road

A POLICY of expansion in the field of road haulage has been decided upon by Coast Lines, Ltd., Mr. F. R. Hooker, secretary, told The Commercial Motor on Tuesday. "No specific acquisitions have been settled on at the moment, but we are looking around."

In the annual report Capt, A. S. Nutting stated that the company's road haulage undertakings had profited during 1959 by the improved trading in the country generally. A marked improvement was noted in the fortunes of the company during the second half of 1959, but strikes in June and July, this year, had caused heavy financial losses, he added.

ONE-MAN-BUS STRIKE

FIFTY-FIVE drivers and conductors at the Cinderford depot of Red and White Services, Ltd., came out on strike this week. They object to the company's decision to introduce five one-man buses to the depot, for use on the quieter routes. The men say that this will cause redundancy among the conducting staff.

Meetings between management and workers' representatives from Cinderford failed to produce a settlement. One-man buses have been in use at the Lydney and Ross-on-Wye depots for many months.

The Cinderford men have rejected an offer by the company to postpone the scheme for a week to enable further negotiations to take place.

FIRE AT HALIFAX GARAGE

FIRE at Halifax highways department's Commercial Road garage last Sunday wrecked the buildings, destroyed three dumpers and two Chaseside mechanical shovels, and caused many thousands of pounds' damage. The cause is not yet

"Don't Over-egg Pudding," Says Mr. Nelson: Six Tippers Sought

DO not expect applicants for new licences to over-egg the pudding," said Mr. S. W. Nelson, Western Licensing Authority, at Bristol on Monday. "I do not want them to think that if they apply for six vehicles they might get four, and if they ask for eight they will possibly get six.'

The Authority was hearing an application by Cleeve Hill Transport, Ltd., Alstone Lane, Cheltenham, to acquire six new tippers to carry mainly quarry products and coal and steel within a radius of 150 miles of the operating centre.

Unsuccessful Plunge by Newcomer

REFUSING an application for a new B licence, the Western Licensing Authority, Mr. S. W. Nelson, said in Bristol last week that the applicant had plunged himself into a very difficult business.

"If you wish to get into the haulage business very strong evidence has to be If you cannot obtain the produced evidence, you had best try to purchase another haulage business. But before embarking on this, if you will take my advice, you will consult someone who will be able to advise you."

Mr. Nelson said this to the applicant, Mr. B. T. Hudson, of Kingshall Road, Knowle Park, Bristol, who had asked for a B licence for three vehicles, each of 3 tons unladen weight, to carry coal and coke within 150 miles.

£39m. ROAD SCHEMES

DURING the past six months major road construction schemes in England and Wales costing almost £39,000,000 have been started. This information is contained in the tenth chart of the British Road Federation's "See series, published on How They Go" Tuesday.

Mr. T. D. Corpe, for the applicants. said that the company had considerably increased their commitments in the past two years. It would be a hardship to their customers if they were not able to carry out their requirements. The bulk of his clients' income, he said, came from two quarry companies, one of which was the East Monmouthshire Company, which had to stock-pile because of a shortage of suitable trans-

Another quarry owner, Mr. T. V. Coke, said his company had many important contracts with a turnover of £250,000 a year. He could employ four or five additional vehicles if they were made available.

The main contention of the objectors, which included British Railways and British Road Services, was that adequate transport services were already operating in the district, and if the applications were granted it would deprive them of

Mr. Peter Fallon, for the objectors, suggested there was no more need for additional vehicles today than there was in 1957 when the last application was made by the company. They had applied for six tippers and had been granted two.

Mr. Nelson said he had been impressed with the evidence of the applicant and was convinced there was a need for additional tippers, but the licence would be restricted to three vehicles instead of six, and the radius limited to 100 miles. He understood another application was pending by the company.

£200 FINE FOR STAMPS OFFENCE

A BLACKPOOL haulier was last week fined £200 and ordered to pay £5 5s. costs by Blackpool magistrates for possessing used insurance stamps and for pasting them on employees' cards. He was James Frederick Hargreaves, of Hathaway, Blackpool.

The magistrates were told that after soiled stamps had been noticed on a surrendered card for one of Hargreaves' employees, the current cards of all his workers were impounded and it was found that seven cards bore, in all, 100 stamps which had been used before.

Apart from the penalty, the magistrates were told, Hargreaves was still obliged to buy stamps worth £129 17s, 2d, to replace the used ones.

For Hargreaves, it was said that two men who owed him for petrol offered the insurance stamps partly in payment of the hill



A De Soto normal-control 5-tonner, of British Dodge manufacture, at work carrying timber in a Finnish forest. The body is detachable and loaded separately, to be placed on the chassis when the vehicle arrives to collect the sawn logs. This picture gives an impression of the conditions under which the vehicle, an oiler operates.



Few Insulated Vehicles at Hull

THE only way that meat distributors and frozen-food producers could get insulated vehicles at a moment's notice was by purchasing their own vehicles. No haulier who had to operate at a profit could be expected to provide them immediately.

This was said by Mr. G. P. Crowe, objecting for the British Transport Commission before Maj. F. S. Eastwood, Yorkshire Licensing Authority, at Bridlington last week. Mr. H. Fletcher, Kempfield House, Preston, near Hull, sought to add an insulated vehicle to his B licence to carry meat and frozen food as required, and add a condition to those already governing the use of an existing vehicle to permit the same work.

Reserving his decision, Maj. Eastwood said there was a case for a partial grant. Mr. F. W. Harrison, traffic manager, said that Fletcher operated six vehicles; three on A licence, two on B licence, and one on a short-term B licence for Eskimo Foods, Ltd. The great increase in their business since the United Carriers organization came to an end earlier this year had led to much difficulty because of the

shortage of insulated vehicles. These had to be hired from as far away as Liverpool and Newcastle upon Tyne.

Mr. C. Ritson, manager of United Kingdom Carriers, Leeds, said that after the breakaway from United Carriers on May I, it was decided to form a company in the Leeds area to keep the independent members of United Carriers together. By a gentlemen's agreement seven local hauliers placed their vehicles completely at the company's disposal.

B.R.S. Not Available

One of their main difficulties was a shortage of insulated vehicles for the movement of poultry and frozen foods all over the country. Fletcher's vehicles were also required for carrying frozen fish from Hull to Leeds and London. B.R.S. vehicles which formerly did a large proportion of the Hull work were no longer available.

Referring to availability figures for insulated rail containers Mr. R. E. Paterson, for the applicants, suggested that lack of use of the containers was due

to the poor service.

Ex-conductor Pleads Guilty to Theft

ROBERT FREDERICK LAYCOCK, aged 23, of Gower Street, Derby, was charged at Nottingham Guildhall, last week, with stealing money from Nottingham Transport Department buses.

As a former bus conductor, Laycock was stated to have known where the money was kept and so at the week-ends would mount a bus at the terminus and remove money from the ticket box, kept temporarily under the stairs. He pleaded guilty to three charges of this kind and asked for 22 other offences to be taken into consideration.

Laycock was caught on August 12 by a transport department employee who saw him mount the platform of a bus and lift cash from the ticket box. When questioned, Laycock said that he was looking for some keys his wife had lost. He then got away but was caught again soon afterwards and admitted the offence.

Mr. Danks, prosecuting, said that

Mr. Danks, prosecuting, said that Laycock said in a statement: "I am fed up of lying about it. Since March I have been coming to Nottingham and stealing money from buses. I got about £5 each time. I once worked as a conductor in Derby, so I knew where the money was kept."

Laycock took the money that he stole home to his mother pretending that he had been at work. He was separated from his wife and two children.

"You have caused a great deal of distress to conductors and conductresses by committing these very mean offences," said the chairman, Mrs. M. A. Crooks, on sentencing Laycock to six months' imprisonment.

The Mann Egerton body of this Thames 30-cwt. van has a single rear entrance in contrast to many refrigerated vehicles used to carry ice cream which are provided with additional side doors. J. Lyons and Ca., Ltd., are the operators. An advantage of having only one door is that the possibility of heat transference is reduced. Moreover, in narrow congested streets the value of side doors is diminished.

Plan to Speed Airport Traffic

A SCHEME to speed-up traffic flow between London and London Airport was announced on Tuesday by the Ministry of Transport. Work will stan soon on the reconstruction, with dual carriageways and pedestrian subways, of one mile of the Bath Road (A4 between Cranford Hall Garage and Henlys Corner, where A4 is joined by A30).

Middlesex County Council, acting as agents of the Ministry, have been authorized to accept the tender of William Old, Ltd., amounting to £140,000, for the work. The new roadworks form part of a £500,000 road improvement scheme for the Bath Road, between Henlys Corner and London Airport.

GLASGOW MAN GETS B LICENCE DECAUSE the movement of caravans over 20 ft. long required a more suitable vehicle, a Glasgow operator was last week granted a new B licence for an articulated vehicle of a total unladen weight of 7 tons by the Scottish Licensing Authority, Mr. W. F. Quin. The normal user was for the carriage of caravan trailers and ancillary equipment to and from destinations in Scotland, England and Wales.

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Mr. Quin was told that there was only one vehicle in the Glasgow area at present that was suitable for the haulage of the longer caravans.

"UNFAIR" TO HIGHWAY AUTHORITIES

MANCHESTER Corporation has accused the Government of being grossly unfair to road users and to local highway authorities in a memorandum handed to the Minister of Transport this week when a deputation from the corporation met Mr. Marples to discuss Government grants for road building.

MEAT HAULIERS' MOBILE OFFICE

A BRISTOL meat haulage company, Transport (Bristol), Ltd., has converted a coach as a mobile office and lounge, which it keeps at Avonmouth docks for the use of its customers and staff. The coach has been equipped with telephone, a bar, television and radio. Transport (Bristol), Ltd., was formed in 1954 and now has a fleet of over 70 vehicles.

THE 25-vehicle fleet of Sun Printers. Ltd., Watford, is to be standardized on Perkins diesel engines. The concern acquired its first Perkins engine, in a Dennis vehicle, in 1953, and today operates eight P6 and six P4 units.

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An unusual feature of this Thornycroft Swiftsure forward-control lorry is the tall headboard, which has a full-width platform above the cab, with footholes in the side stanchions. The vehicle is operated by Messrs. H. H. Woodward, Meadow Road, Leeds, makers of packing cases and wood wool.

Haulier Regains His A Licence

A MAN who lost his special A licence for a vehicle in 1958 and subsequently fought his case through the traffic court and Transport Tribunal, last week had an A licence granted for the vehicle. He was Mr. John Scott, of Arlecdon Road, Frizington. He acquired his special A licence in 1957 and it was subsequently found that the vehicle was operating at a greater weight than that specified on the licence, which was revoked in November, 1958, by the Northern Licensing Authority, Mr. J. A. T. Hanlon.

Mr. Scott appealed and his case was heard by the Transport Tribunal in London, who sent it back to the Northern Licensing Authority for further inquiries to be made. When the applicant came before the Northern Deputy Licensing Authority, Mr. G. W. Duncan, last week, Mr. T. H. Campbell Wardlaw, for Mr. Scott, said that he had been to London three times and this was the fifth time he had been to Carlisle in connection

with the vehicle, and the hearings relating to it.

It was the intention of the Transport Tribunal, said Mr. Wardlaw, that Scott should have his licence. He pointed out that there was no objection to the present application, which had a normal user enabling the applicant to carry cement, agricultural produce and requisites excluding livestock within northern England and southern Scotland.

When the Transport Tribunal gave their decision on Mr. Scott's case (The Commercial Motor, April 8) they said that as the revoked licence was due to expire within a few weeks, anyway, they would make no order on the appeal. They said: "Our view is that the expense and anxiety Mr. Scott has suffered by reason of the prolonged investigation of this case have more than amply purged his offence. It follows that no regard should be had to his offence in considering any future application the applicant may make."

Driver Confesses to Police

A 25-YEAR-OLD lorry driver confessed to the police that he had driven 156,000 miles without a driving licence. This was stated at Bury last week when Fred Street, of Church Street, Bury, pleaded guilty to driving without a licence and stealing 10 quarts of paint from his employers, Donald MacPherson and Co., Ltd., Warth, Bury. He was fined £3 for the driving offence,

£5 on each of two charges relating to the paint, and was ordered to pay £13 10s.

Explaining how he managed to be a lorry driver without a licence, Street said his employers had not asked to see his licence when he got the job 2½ years ago. Six months later, when the matter was raised, he showed them a licence belonging to his father. They assumed it was

Street said that he had driven 156,000 miles for the company and in his own car. The police said Street had helped in every way and he appeared to be genuinely repentent.

BAMFORD EXPORT COMPANY

FOLLOWING a large increase in the sales of J.C.B. excavators and loaders throughout Europe, a new company, J. C. Bamford (Exports), S.A., has been formed. Export sales, spares and service will be controlled from the head office at 2 Avenue de la Rasude, Lausanne, Vaud, Switzerland.

Fares Increases for Independents

THE Scottish Traffic Commissioners, sitting in Glasgow last week, approved several applications by independent operators for fares increases. Among the operators were A.A. Motor Services, Ltd., Ayr, Baxters Bus Services, Ltd., Airdrie, J. and J. Leith, Sanguhar, McGill's Bus Service, Barrhead, and the Scottish Co-operative Wholesale Society,

On Monday, Coventry Transport Department brought into effect the abolition of early morning concessions, approved last week by the West Midland Traffic Commissioners. The department's night service fare was on the same day increased to 1s. When the application was heard last week the department's general manager, Mr. R. A. Fearnley, said the changes would increase revenue by £137,000 and turn an estimated deficit into a £75.600 surplus.

ROTHERHAM'S DEFICIT WIPED OUT

FOR the first time in 10 years Rotherham Transport Department has no accumulated deficit, the general manager, Mr. I. O. Fisher, reported last The net surplus for the year ended March 31 last was £12,548.

For the first time for many years, said Mr. Fisher, the number of passengers carried had increased. It was hard to explain in view of the greater number of cars on the road. The undertaking had, in fact, carried 55,767,361 passengers in 1959-60, an increase of 431,446.

But Mr. Fisher warned that: "A pleasing financial position has ahead of it a very large renewals programme." In the next three or four years something over £200,000 had to be spent, he said.

LEICESTER'S BIG SURPLUS

FACING wages increases of £25,000, Leicester Transport Department had a net surplus of £24,978 during 1959-60 without raising fares. This is revealed in the undertaking's annual report and balance sheet, published this week Traffic revenue totalled £1,113,879.

Fewer passengers used corporation buses, although the regular decline of post-war years was not so pronounced. A sum of £78,000 was spent on new vehicles and garage improvements. If the council accept recommendations, a further £11,000 out of the surplus will be used to resurface the yard at the Abbey Park Depot. Approximately the same amount will be transferred to the reserves.

£19,000 SURPLUS AT STOCKTON

STOCKTON Transport Department had a net surplus during the financial year ended March 31 last of £19,074 compared with the surplus for the previous financial year of £8,943. The undertaking has not had a deficit since 1951-52. The traffic revenue during the past year was £560,223. Total working expenses were £460,894.



Operated by Fresard and Co., Basle, Switzerland, iron and steel merchants, this Bedford petrol-engined 7-tonner has a one-man cab and a specially constructed drop-sided body. This extends on the near side for the full length of the vehicle. The bodywork was supplied by Frech-Hoch, A.G., Sissach.

Leicester Traffic Scheme Inquiry

LEICESTER'S proposed Traffic Regulation Order, necessary in the opinion of the city's chief engineer to prevent "near stagnation" at peak periods, was the subject of a public inquiry last week, when objectors included the National Association of Furniture Warehousemen and Removers and many C-licence operators owning retail premises in the areas to be affected.

The Leicester (Traffic Regulation) Order, 1960, is planned to ease congestion in central areas. It adds other roads to the list to which restrictions on waiting apply and adds three lengths of road to the list of one-way streets. If accepted, existing no-waiting regulations will come into force two hours earlier—at 8.30 a.m.

Mr. D. J. Taylor, Leicester's deputy town clerk, told the inquiry that all waiting restrictions were subject to a direction or permission given by a police officer in uniform.

Mr. E. A. Harris, general secretary of the N.A.F.W.R., said it was extremely difficult to understand the reluctance of the city council to give formal recognition to the exigencies of furniture removal by the inclusion of a specific exemption about loading and unloading. Mr. Harris maintained that there was a widespread recognition that a removal contractor differed from carriers in general, and deserved special treatment.

Mr. John L. Beckett, city engineer and surveyor, said that since 1954 traffic using the city centre had increased by nearly half

TRANSIT-TYPE BUSES FOR BLACKPOOL?

BLACKPOOL Transport Committee is understood to be considering buying transit-type buses, with a front entrance and rear exit. Ald. E. E. Wynne, chairman, said, last week, that because of the difficulties experienced by conductors on existing buses, especially during crowded summer conditions, it was estimated that between £30,000-£40,000 a year was lost in uncollected fares.

HALIFAX ON SHOW

HALIFAX Transport Department has this week been holding an "open week" to the public. Both the Skircoat and the Elmwood depots have been opened for guided parties.

Safeguarding Operators' Interests

IN response to a request by Mr. Ernest Marples, the Minister of Transport, the road transport operators' associations have submitted their views to the Minister on proposed amendments to the loading ban provisions in the Road Traffic and Roads Improvement Act, 1960, which came into force last week.

Under the Act, all restrictions on the powers of local authorities to prohibit loading and unloading in the streets have been removed. The effect of the amendments will be that where any public inquiry into a loading and unloading ban is held, and the ban exceeds six hours in any 24-hour period, then the inspector's report, a copy of the proposed Order and a map showing the roads to which the Order relates, must be submitted to the Minister at least a month before the local

authority intends to bring the proposed ban into effect.

In their comments to Mr. Marples, the Road Haulage Association said that they would like to have prior consultation with local authorities in advance of any proposals to institute a ban, and they wish to be represented at the public inquiries.

The R.H.A. stated that the six-hour period was an arbitrary figure and suggested that the proposed procedure should apply to all bans. They have also asked for a copy of the inspector's report at the same time as it is submitted to the Minister by the local authority.

Both the Traders Road Transport Association and the British Road Federation have stated that to make the safeguard of value to road operators, objectors should be informed of a decision.

French Petrol on Sale Here

THERE would be no cut-price battle with other oil companies, said London oil dealer, Mr. Charles Redman, last week, when he announced that he was looking for sites in the Manchester area for new filling stations to market the French petrol "Total."

Mr. Redman did say, however, that Total would offer more generous terms to dealers, and their service stations would concentrate on giving better service. Already one garage in the Manchester area was selling the brand, and it was hoped that there would be more by the end of the year.

Total is marketed by the Compagnie Francaise des Petroles, said to be the biggest oil company, after Shell-Mex and B.P., outside the United States,

MANCHESTER PAYROLL GOING TO COMPUTER

MANCHESTER Transport Department will save an estimated £14,000 a year when the corporation's electronic computer comes into use towards the end of this month, the chairman of the corporation finance committee, Cllr. H. Lloyd, said last week. The transport department's payroll will be calculated on the computer.

Micrograms . . .

Name Changed: James Neale and Sons, Ltd., have changed their title to Raydyot, Ltd.

Scrapped: Fire destroyed an empty bus being towed to Aberdeen last week for scrap.

Last Tram: The last two Sheffield tram services will be converted to motorbus operation on October 8.

New Office: The address of the new London office of A. P. Newall and Co., Ltd., is 19-20 Grosvenor Street, W.1.

Shelter Move: Midlothian County Council are to erect 75 bus shelters at various suitable points throughout the county.

Guildford Branch: A Guildford branch office of Forward Trust, Ltd., was opened at Norfolk House, Upper High Street, last week.

Bury Station: A new bus station is included in plans to modernize the town centre, which were approved last week by the general purposes committee.

W. African Distributors: The Bartholomew group of companies have been appointed sole distributors of A.E.C. vehicles in Nigeria, Ghana and Sierra Leone.

Pyrene Purchase: The business of S. F. Roberts, Ltd., who make fire-protection and similar apparatus, has been purchased by the Pyrene Co., Ltd., and will in future be known as S. F. Roberts (1960), Ltd.

Lomas Expand: The premises of Herbert Lomas, Ltd., Handforth, Wilmslow, Cheshire, have been enlarged to include new showrooms, servicing and repair workshops and office premises. They will be opened by Lord Trevor of Chirk on September 14.

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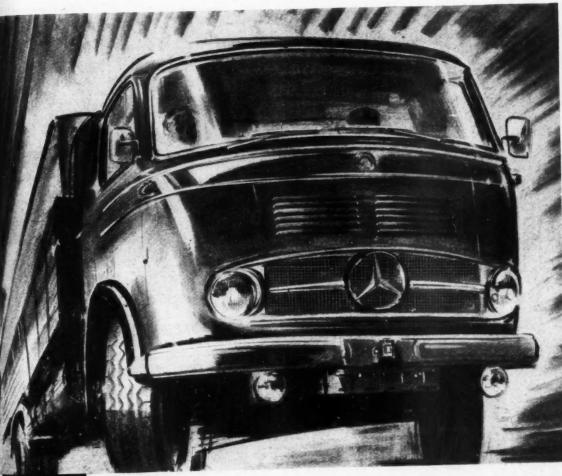
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Two Fined for Illegal Running

PROTEST against the fact that on Atwo occasions before being "pounced upon" by licensing officials, two operators of taxis and minibuses were watched while they used their vehicles in contravention of the regulations, was made by a defending solicitor Cockermouth (Cumberland) magistrates' court last week.

"I would doubt very much if this is quite the sort of justice one would expect-to be watched on previous occasions in order to build up evidence for the case-at least there should have been a warning," declared Mr. G. W. Iredell, the solicitor.

Mr. Iredell was defending Alfred Simpson, of 10 New Street, Cocker-mouth, who pleaded guilty to four summonses for permitting the use of two vehicles on April 8 last, for stage carriage work without road service or public service vehicle licences. He was fined £1 in each case and ordered to pay £3 13s. costs.

Elizabeth Jane Kirkpatrick, Thomas Kirkpatrick and James Kirkpatrick (trading as Thomas Kirkpatrick and Sons), of Sibson House, Great Broughton, also pleaded guilty to permitting the use of a vehicle for express carriage work without road service or public service vehicle licences on

the same day. They were fined £1 in each case with a total of £4 2s. costs.

Explaining that the bench felt that nominal fines would meet the cases, the chairman Mr. R. L. Wyllie, said the prosecutions had been

brought under complex regulations, but owners of taxis and public hire vehicles should be quite aware of the details.

Mr. G. N. Worthing, prosecuting for the Northern Traffic Commissioners, said that Simpson had been given a memorandum of the relevant regulations and warned against operating a lunch-time service

In the Kirkpatricks' case, a minibus had been seen previously with a full load and on April 8, when being driven by Mary Isabella Kirkpatrick, it was found that the passengers-all factory workers—had paid 1s. 6d. or 2s. each. Mr. Kirkpatrick said he did not know he was committing an offence.

For Simpson, Mr. Iredell said that because employees at the factory often wanted to go to Friday night dances, one of them had arranged with Mr. and Mrs. Simpson to get them home earlier than by the buses of Cumberland Motor Services, Ltd. Mr. Simpson had also been approached by workers to take them to housing estates at lunch-time. He began to do it, thinking it was legitimate as no buses were going there, but stopped when he discovered it was wrong to run unlicensed.

but not represented. had nothing to say.

This is the new Bond Ranger, a three-wheeled van of 31 cu. ft. capacity made by Sharp's Commercials, Ltd., and costing £295 in primer. It is powered by a Villiers two-stroke engine.

Two Bus Systems May Merge

HASLINGDEN Transport Committee is, at its next meeting, to consider asking Rawtenstall Corporation to reopen negotiations aimed at effecting a merger of the two towns' bus undertakings. This follows remarks by the chairman of the North Western Traffic Commissioners, Mr. F. Williamson, at a Haslingden fares application last month. Mr. Williamson said there was "a definite need" to consider the regrouping of local undertakings.

With a fleet of 18 vehicles (only five of which are needed at off-peak periods) Haslingden would have difficulty in again putting up its fares, he remarked. The general manager of Haslingden Transport Department, Mr. L. T. Merrall, estimated that £8,000 to £10,000 a year could be saved, but added that previous negotiations had "died a natural death."

The chairman of Haslingden Transport Committee, Cllr. J. Walsh, has publicly stated that he is in favour of a merger.

RAWTENSTALL'S £4,900 SURPLUS

NET surplus-its fourth successive one-of £4,911 was shown for the year ended March 31 last, by Rawtenstall Transport Department. It compared with a surplus of £7,451 in 1958-59. Total income last year was £129,549 (£178,982 the previous year) and operating expenses came to £165,070 (£161.682).

LYTHAM REORGANIZATION PLANS

DROPOSALS for a reorganization of bus services were discussed on Wednesday by a sub-committee of Lytham St. Annes Transport Committee, formed last February for the purpose. The subcommittee studied a comprehensive report prepared by the general manager of the undertaking, Mr. R. C. Armstrong.

Proposed improvements to the existing services are designed to cater for areas which have become increasingly residential over the past few years. Property has sprung up on a large scale in some districts of the borough.

SOUTHPORT TO CUT EARLY BUSES

S an economy move, Southport As an economy move, see an Arransport Department is to reduce the frequency of buses on most routes between 7 a.m. and 8 a.m. on weekdays. after next Sunday, from the present 12-minute to a 15-minute headway.





Greater Freedom for C.I.E. Cuts Losses

URING the first year of operation under the new Duking the first year of operation of the Transport Act, which gives it more freedom to act as a commercial concern, Coras Iompair Eireann, the Eire State public transport undertaking, succeeded in

This Fiat van is one of two which have been fitted out as mobile workshops and training schools for the employees of 350 Fiat dealers and distributors in Britain. Engine lifting gear, engine and gearbox stands and jigs for components are among the pieces of equipment carried.

cutting its losses from almost £2,000,000 the previous year to £709,000 last year. Both road freight and road passenger operations were more profitable.

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The report for the year ended March

31 last, published this week, showed an operating profit of £446,978 compared with a loss of £424,415 the previous year.

On the railway side of the undertaking, the loss of £1,247,489 for 1959 was reduced to £558,614, while on the road passenger section operating profits rose from £783,415 to £869,480. More than 300m. passengers were carried—a record for C.I.E.

A profit of £167,115 was earned by the road freight section, compared with a profit of £102,065 last year.

The annual report refers to the extended employment of management consultants to survey the management structure and operations, the new policy of making package deals for merchandise and livestock, and extensive publicity to bring to the attention of the public the advantages of using public transport services.

Of the transport revenues of C.I.E. 36.46 per cent. of the income was contributed by the buses and 11.26 per cent. by road freight. The number of buses in operation at the end of the period was 1,328, the number of goods prime movers being 769.

A.E.U. Dispute Leaves Buses Empty

THE Dundee branch of the Amalgamated Engineering Union is slowly paralysing the municipal transport system by "blacking" its buses, it was alleged this week. The transport committee were told that at present 14 buses, some with the most minor defects, were standing idle.

Mr. W. L. Russell, general manager, said it was becoming impossible to run some duplicates and, before long, ordinary services might be affected.

On safety grounds, the A.E.U. want two men on workshop shifts lasting more than an hour. Because of the disagreement over their claim, the union has withdrawn certain overtime When Transport and General Workers' Union drivers took broken-down buses back to the garage—a job usually done by the A.E.U.—the A.E.U. then declared the buses " black " and would not service

COMMERS BEHIND IRON CURTAIN

THE Rootes Group is to show a Commer \(\frac{1}{4}\)-ton delivery van and a 7-ton Commer truck at the Brno International Trade Fair, Czechoslovakia, which is to be staged from September 11 to 25.

New Transport Companies

Marshfeld Haulage Co., Ltd. Cap. £1,000. Dirs.: P. Pesticcio, P. Pesticcio. An Peaticcio and M. Bevington, Ty-Tynnon, St. Mellons Road, Marshfield, Mon. Sec.: A. Pesticcio. Reg. office: Ty-Tynnon, St. Mellons Road, Marshfield, Netica Transport, Ltd. Cap. £100. Subs.: S. Hart and A. Hart, 57 Rodney Court, Maida Vale, London, W.9. Sec.: M. Claff. Reg. office: 138-139 Bush House, London, W.C.2. Chiddingfold Coachwork Co., Ltd. Cap. £100. Dirs.: T. E. Flynn, Brockbank Villas, Woodside Road, Chiddingfold, Surrey, and H. A. Beeny, I Sidlaw Terrace, Clarence Road, Bognor Regis, Sussex. Sec.: H. S. Head. Reg. office: 1 Sidlaw Terrace, Clarence Road, Bognor Regis, Whitmarsh and Jones, Ltd. Cap. £100. Dirs.: Whitmarsh and Jones, Ltd. Cap. £100. Dirs.: Whitmarsh Reg. office: 102-105 Strand on the Green, London, W.4.
S. J. Broad (Par), Ltd. Cap. £1,500. Dirs.: S. J. Broad, Mrs. Doreen Broad and J. A. Broad, 18 Polmear Road, Par. Cornwall, Reg. office: 18

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Flower Freight (Transport) Co., Ltd. Cap. £100. Dirs.: A. J. Wilkins, 55 Brancote Grove, London, S.E.16, and R. Cooper, 32 Mickieham Down, London, N.12. Sec.: A. J. Wilkins, Reg. office: 21 Catherine Street, London, W.C.2. Cushion Transport, Ltd. Cap. £100. Dirs.: H. W. Sydenham and J. B. Sweeney, 27 Martin Lane, London, E.C.4.
Tanker Road Transport Co., Ltd. Cap. £100. Subs.: S. A. Shaw and A. Barfield, St. Swithins House, Walbrook, London, E.C.4.
H. R. Driffill, G. B. R. Driffill and E. Driffill, Cliffe-cum-Lund, near Selby. Sec.: H. R. Driffill Reg. office: Cliffe-cum-Lund.
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Deryck K. Morley, Ltd. Cap. £3,000. Dirs.: D. K. Morley and M. P. Morley, 16 West End Crescent, Ilkeston. G. Slater and J. M. Slater, 82 Park Road, Ilkeston. Sec.: G. Slater. Reg. office: Rutland Street, Ilkeston.

Fairlie Moters, Ltd. Cap. £100. Dirs.: J. G. Pauling and Mrs. E. A. Pauling, 24 Fairlie Gardens, Dunoon Road, London, S.E.23. Sec.: J. Pauling, Reg. office: 24 Fairlie Gardens, Dunoon Road. London, S.E.23.

General Wharfage and Rondways (Contracts), Ltd. Cap. £3,000. Dirs.: P. H. Johnson. 26 Thingwall Drive, Liverpool, 14, E. G. Hughes, 33 Beechfield Road, Liverpool, 18. A. E. Jones, and S. A. Hughes. Sect. P. H. Johnson. W. L. Fowler and Co., Ltd. Cap. £1,000. Dirs.: W. L. Fowler and D. R. Fowler. 7 Downshall Avenue, Seven Kings, Ilford. Sec.: D. R. Fowler. Reg. office: Barclays Chambers, 451 Commercial Road, London, E.I.



Among the large users of Leyland Group goods vehicles in Iran is the Ministry of Customs and Monopolies. This is one of 35 Albion Chiefiain vehicles operated by the Ministry in the Customs area at the port of Khorramshahr. The high-sided bodywork may be noted.

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Ross By-pass Now Open to Traffic

THE Ross by-pass, a one-and-a-half-mile-long road on the north-west side of Ross-on-Wye which links the existing roads between South Wales and the Midlands, was opened at the week-end. The eastern end will be connected with the Ross motorway when it is opened later in

The northern carriageway of the Hanger Lane underpass on Western Avenue, London, was opened last week. The two northern slip roads also came into use. It is expected that the southern road will be opened early next month.

MOTORWAY WORK STARTS

WORK started last week on the £2½m. section of the Birmingham-Preston motorway to by-pass the Stafford bottleneck, in all about five miles long. Twin 36-ft.-wide carriageways separated by a 13-ft. central reservation, with 10-ft.-wide hard shoulders, will be laid down. The hard shoulders will be on the same foundation as the carriageways, so that heavy lorries will not sink through them as happened on earlier hard shoulders on M1.

WORK TO START ON THAMES TUNNEL

THE Ministry of Transport is to invite tenders for the completion of the £11,000,000 Dartford - Purfleet tunnel under the River Thames, expected to be completed in 1962. Work is already in progress on the northern approaches to the tunnel and a £758,755 contract has been awarded for the construction of the southern approach road.

"BUILD MORE MOTORWAYS" CALL

MOTORWAYS, not dual-carriageway all-purpose roads, should be built whenever any trunk roads are improved. The motorway is by far the most efficient method for moving large volumes of vehicles, the British Road Federation stated this week.

MOVE TO END A4 BOTTLENECK THE Minister of Housing, Mr. Henry Brooke, has suggested to Slough (Buckinghamshire) Borough Council that the A4, which at present runs through the congested High Street of the town, should be diverted for through traffic, thus by-passing the town.

This impressive Atkinson eightwheeled tipper has a Gardner 6LX
150-b.h.p. engine driving through a
Z.F. direct-top gearbox and a
special heavy-duty Kirkstall doubledrive bogie. Hydraulic power
steering is fitted, and the tyres are
of the Goodyear hard-rock lug type.
Braking is by the BendixWestinghouse dual-line system with
diaphragm-operated brakes on all
axies. The hand brake to the rear
axle is air assisted. Pilot tipping
gear is fitted, and the 28-cu.-yd.
steel body is also a Pilot product.
The operators are Eccles Transport
(R.M.), Ltd., Santon, Scunthorpe,
who use it to carry foundry slag
within their own premises. This impressive Atkinson eightwithin their own premises.



Messrs. A. E. Bullock, builders, Welwyn Garden City, operate this Bedford petrolengined 35-cwt. tipper. Its compact dimensions make it ideal for their restricted premises and manauvring in small drives. A large number of new houses has been built in the area, and owners are in frequent need of the builders to deliver sand, ballast and other materials for garden walls and paths. The body was built by J. Whitaker, Hutchinson and Sons, Ltd., Bradford, and has Milshaw tipping gear.

Cesspit-emptier for P.H.I. Show

BEDFORD-EAGLE 800-gal. com-A bined gully- and cesspit-emptier will be exhibited by Vauxhall Motors, Ltd., at the Public Health Inspectors' Exhibition, at Scarborough, from September 20-23. The dual-purpose body is mounted on a Bedford long-wheelbase normal-control 5-ton chassis, with a Bedford 300-cu.-in. diesel engine.

MUNICIPAL OPPORTUNITIES

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Eccles Borough Council require a gully-emptier.
Glasgow Libraries Committee wish to purchase a
Commer van from Melvin Motors, Ltd.
Bermondsey Works Committee wish to buy four
refuse collectors from Enid Garage, Ltd.
Blackpool Parks Committee seek to acquire a
Thames tipper from Thomas Motors, Ltd.
Cheltenham Highways Committee seek to
purchase a refuse collector from J. Gibson and
Sons, Ltd.
Wood Green Works Committee have authorized
the purchase of a Scammell mechanical horse.
Hornsea Urban District Council are to buy a
Karrier Bantam from the Triangle Motor Co., Ltd.
Easthourae Highways Committee have authorized
the purchase of a Bedford 15-cwt, pick-up and a
frop-sider. The highways committee have authorized
to buy a Dennis Paxit Major.
Southport Corporation have ordered a Bedford
10-12-cwt, van and a 5-ton tipper from the
Southport Engineering Co., Ltd., and a Thames
5-cwt, van from Holland Motors, Ltd.
Middlesex County Council have ordered 17
stiting-case vehicles and seven ambulances from
Stewart and Ardern, Ltd. The supplies committee
seek to obtain a Bedford 4-ton chassis from
Gregory's, Ltd., and a special body from Messra,
Cammegh and Philpott.

The welded steel tank has dished ends and is divided into two compartments, one for clean water, the other for sludge, An inter-connecting valve enables both compartments to be used for cesspit emptying. A rotary vacuum exhauster, driven from the gearbox power take-off. raises vacuum or pressure in the tank for filling and discharging-the change-over from vacuum to pressure being achieved by the use of a three-way valve.

A Bedford-Eagle four-stage tower wagon is to be shown at the conference of the Association of Public Lighting Engineers, at Folkestone, from Sep-tember 13-16. The vehicle is based on the Bedford long-wheelbase normal-control 3-ton chassis. It has a low frame height which provides easy access to the rear of the tower and the combined workshopbody and cab.

The tower is mounted directly above the rear axle to give optimum stability, is hydraulically powered and controlled from the cab. The ram is fitted with a strangulated return valve to prevent the tower crashing in the event of a hydraulic failure. The platform, 9 ft. by 4 ft., with collapsible guard rails, can be rotated through 360 degrees.



Bedford Forward-control Goodsvehicle Range Now Completely Redesigned: New TK Models Have Set-back Engines to *Improve* Driving Comfort and Power-unit Accessibility

> UTSTANDING cab design distinguishes the new Bedford TK series of forward-control goods chassis announced on Tuesday. Careful thought has ensured maximum comfort for driver and passenger and an acceptable degree of accessibility to the engine, located beneath the seats, without encroaching to any marked degree on the body space available with the earlier \$ and TC types which these new models supersede.

The driver sits well forward, so he has a clear view of the road. Entrance

steps ahead of the front axle and the low floor ensured by the use of 16-in.diameter wheels on 3-, 4-, and 5-ton models make the cab effortless to climb into and out of.

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Although many of the mechanical components used in the TK models are similar to those previously employed in the S and TC series, major changes have been made in the braking systems. Transmission hand brakes are employed on all models and air-hydraulic systems are used on oil-engined chassis (with the option of vacuum assistance on tractive units only), whilst all petrol-engined chassis have vacuum-hydraulic braking as standard.

The new range not only supersedes previous Bedford forward-control models

(Right) A man can stand comfortably within the width of the cab to work on the power unit, even on models with 16-in.diameter wheels.

access flaps have support stays and slam locks.

7-ton lorry from the new Bedford TK forward-control Clearly seen are the set-back engine location and the seen are the set-back engine location and the whilst one of the engine-access panels in the dand lowered positions. In addition to the have revised braking 10 This brake is models are on behind the door is shown in raised range is shown in this drawing. Clearly entrance steps ahead of the front wheels, as Vacuum servos are transmission hand are used heavier E12

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(Left) With no engine cowl 10 obstruct the floor line, the layout of the new Bedford cab makes it easy for the driver to reach his seat from the kerb-side. The cab illustrated has a twin passenger seat.

(Right) Engine accessibility is distinctly better than average for a forward-control vehicle, whilst the cab is relatively easy to remove for an engine change. Lights are provided in the engine compartment.



(of which more than 80,000 were made in 10 years), but also extends the range available. Whereas previously there were only 5-, 6-, 61- and 7-ton chassis, available with oil or petrol engines, the TK series includes 3- and 4-ton models on 16-in. wheels and-at the other end of the range—a 7½-ton chassis offered as a normal load carrier, a tipper or a 12ton tractive unit.

Prices are only slightly higher than those of the earlier forward-control vehicles, but represent even better value for money.

There are 13 basic models in the new range, including two short-wheelbase tippers and three tractive units with wheelbases of 8 ft. All models are available with oil or petrol engines, the Bedford 214-cu.-in and 300-cu.-in, petrol engines. 200-cu.-in. and 300-cu.-in oil engines and Leyland 0.350 oil engine being offered according to the size of the

Transmission Options

The availability of these units is indicated in the accompanying table, from which it will be seen also that there is a choice of gearboxes, including four-and five-speed units, throughout the Bedford-built two-speed axles offered as optional equipment on chassis of over 6-ton capacity, except in e case of the KGA 12-ton tractive unit, for which the two-speed axle is man-

Although the cab looks much longer d bulkier than the S-type, it is only 17 in. longer, the whole of the increased ngth lying behind the front-axle centre so that the front overhang is changed.

The cab is of all-steel welded conuction, with integral steel underframg, mounted at four points on the

Comfort for Driver

chassis frame. Although the engine lies beneath the seats, the cab itself has a lower overall height than that of an Stype, there being a difference of some 4 in. in the case of models having comparable wheels and tyres.

Seat back squabs lie almost directly above the front-axle centre line. leaves a space about 2 ft. long between them and the rear panel of the cab. which provides room above the engine for an air cleaner and gives useful stowage space for tools and ancillary electrical

This compartment is enclosed at the top by a flat panel which forms a useful shelf for driver's personal effects. It also enables the overall glazed area of the cab to be increased, because fixed lights are incorporated in the sides of the cab behind the doors.

The cab floor ahead of the seats is completely flat, so that the driver can reach his seat quite easily from each side. Instead of a steering-column gear lever, with greatly increased complication in linkages, a short lever is mounted on top of the engine cowling between the driver's and mate's seats, where the driver can reach it with the minimum of effort.

Similarly, the hand brake has been kept out of the way of the floor space by mounting it on the seat box to the right of the driver's seat. The lever assembly is short and similar to that at one time employed on certain Vauxhall cars. It has been possible to make the control short because the use of a transmission brake, the effect of which is multiplied by the rear-axle gearing, avoids the need for high leverage.

The driver's knees are on roughly the same level as the base of the one-piece curved windscreen and he is able to see within 7 ft. of the front of the cab at ground level. As the windscreen is deep, its top is unlikely to be below the level of the driver's eyes. Some of the largest windscreen-wiper blades to be used in this country have been adopted to ensure good vision in rain or snow,

Because the driver sits ahead of, and above, the power unit, he hears remarkably little noise. The cab is cool for the same reason, so provision has been made for fitting a fresh-air heating system which directs air into the cab at floor level.

Insulation material to keep out both noise and heat is used beneath the engine cowl, floor and front panel, and

Specimen Prices of the New Bedford Models

3-ton petrol chassis, £706; chassis-cab, £806; drop-sided lorry, £916. Oil-engined versions cost £120

4-ton petrol chassis, £720; chassis-cab, £820; drop-sided lorry, £930. Oil-engined versions cost £120

5-tom short-wheelbase petrol chassis, £760; chassis-cab, £860; drop-sided lorry, £970. Oil-engined versions cost £185 more.

5-ton long-wheelbase petrol chassis, £775; chassis-ib, £875; drop-sided lorry, £995. Oil-engined ersions cost £185 more.

6-ton long-wheelbase 214-cu.-in. petrol chassis, 8875; chassis-cab, £975; drop-sided lorry, £1,095. With 300-cu.-in. petrol engine prices are £65 greater. Oil-engined versions cost £120 more than models with 300-cu.-in. petrol engine.

7-ton long-wheelbase petrol chassis, £970; chassis-cab, £1,070; drop-sided lorry, £1,190. Oil-engined versions cost £120 more.
7-ton extra-long-wheelbase petrol chassis, £980; chassis-cab, £1,080; drop-sided lorry, £1,210. Oil-engined versions cost £120 more.
7½-ton extra-long-wheelbase petrol chassis, £998; chassis-cab, £1,098. Orl-engined versions cost £445 more.
7-ton petrol tipper chassis, £960; chassis-cab, £1,080. Oil-engined versions cost £445 more.
7-ton petrol tipper chassis, £980; chassis-cab, £1,080. Oil-engined versions cost £445 more.
7-ton petrol tipper chassis, £985; observable, £1,085. Oil-engined versions cost £445 more.
8-ton tractor, £1,082. Oil-engined versions cost £445 more.
8-ton tractor, 500-cu.-in. petrol, £925; 300-cu.-in. petrol, £996; 300-cu.-in. oil engine, £1,110; 350-cu.-in. oil engine, £1,115; 350-cu.-in. oil engine, £1,115; 350-cu.-in. [1-10-10] tractor, £1,575.

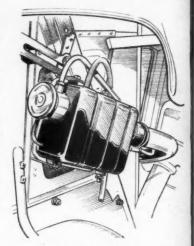
lines the one-piece roof pressing. Ventilation is by hinged quarter lights in the cab doors, which are deeper than the wind-down windows in each door, whilst, whether heating equipment is fitted or not, fresh air at ambient temperature can enter the cab through a central duct at floor level over which the heater unit

Although the TK cab is similar in appearance to certain makes of American tilt cab, this form of construction, to gain access to the engine, has not been adopted by the Bedford engineers. This is, perhaps, surprising, as the cab and chassis layout are typical for a vehicle with a tilt cab, but, instead, access to the engine is by two hinged panels behind the doors.

With these panels raised it is easy to get close to the power unit without stoop-The question of engine removal has been solved by making the cab easy to detach, and it is claimed that the cab assembly can be lifted clear of the chassis within 30 minutes, whilst with skilled labour little more than } hour should be necessary.

So far as the rest of the specification of the TK models is concerned, next in order of importance are the brakes. All the chassis have power-assisted brakes and the front-to-rear braking ratio This throughout the range is 50:50. combines with an average front-to-rear weight-distribution ratio of 29 to 71 to ensure that the front brakes take their fair share of the available retardation effort.

Complementary to the 50:50 braking ratio, the thickness of the front drums has been increased by 66 per cent. and that of the rear drums by 36 per cent. The additional thickness not only resists distortion, but acts as a heat sink whereby the brake-lining temperature is sub-



The cooling system has a separate header tank which improves cooling efficiency and simplifies level-checking and topping-up. The tank is on the left of the cab.

OUTLINE SPECIFICATION OF TK FORWARD-CONTROL RANGE

no	del and iminal iyload		eel-	Engine	Gear- boxes	Single- speed axle ratios	Two- speed axle ratios	Frame depth	Brake area	Turning circle	Tyre size	Gross weight
кс	3-ton	ft. 11	in. 3	cu. in. 214 P 200 O	B/C	5.43 6.20	_	in. 8.40	sq. in. 386.3	ft. 43.0	7.00–16 8-ply	lb. 12,500
KC	4-ton	11	3	214 P 200 O	B/C	4.70* 5.43 6.20 4.70*	-	8.40	386.3	43.0	7.50-16 10-ply	15,000
KDS	5-ton	11	3	214 P 300 O	A/C	5.43 6.20* 4.37† 4.70†	-	8.40	386.3	43.5	7.50-16 (Steel)	18,000
KDL	5-ton	12	7	214 P 300 O	A/C	5.43 6.20° 4.37† 4.70†	-	9.44	386.3	48.5	7.50-16 (Steel)	18,000
KEL	6-ton	12	7	214 P 300 P 300 O	B/D	7.40° 5.80 6.80 5.30†	5.83/7.95 6.40/8.72	9.44	416.8	46.5	7.50–20 12-ply	20,500
KFS	7-ton	12	7	300 P 300 O	B/D	6.80	5.83/7.95 6.40/8.72	9.44	479.7	48.0	8.25-20 12-ply	23,000
KFL	7-ton	13	11	300 P 300 O	B/D	6.80 5.80	5.83/7.95 6.40/8.72	9.50	479.7	52.5	8.25-20 12-ply	23,000
	7½-ton	. 13	11	300 P 350 O	B/D A/E	6.80 5.80	5.83/7.95 6.40/8.72	9.50	479.7	54.5	8.25-20 14-ply	25,000
Cipp KFT	7-ton	10	0	300 P 300 O	B/D	6.80	5.83/7.95 6.40/8.72	10.00	479.7	38.5	8.25-20 12-ply	23,000
	71-ton	10	0	300 P 350 O	B/D A/E	6.80	5.83/7.95 6.40/8.72	10.00	479.7	40.0	8.25-20 14-ply	25,000
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KEA	8-ton	8	0	214 P 300 P 300 O	B/D	7.40* 6.80 5.80†	5.83/7.95† 6.40/8.72	8.44	416.8	30.0	7.50–20 8-ply	27,000
KFA	10-ton	8	0	300 P 300 O 350 O	B/D B/D A/E	6.80	6.40/8.72	8.44	479.7	30.0	7.50-20 12-ply	33,600
KGA	12-ton	8	0	350 O	A/E	-	6.40/8.72	8.44	479.7	31.0	8.25-20 12-ply	38,500

petrol engine. O, oil engine. Gearboxes: A, 6.5, 2.86, 1.58 and 1 to 1 forward, 6.5 to 1 reverse; B, 7.06, 3.33, 1.71 and to 1 forward, 7.06 to 1 reverse; C, 6.3, 3.36, 1.83, 1 and 0.82 to 1 forward, 5.76 to 1 reverse; C, 6.93, 3.78, 2.24, 1.47 and to 1 forward, 6.66 to 1 reverse; C, 648, 3.54, 2.09, 1.37 and 1 to 1 forward, 6.4 to 1 reverse; C, 214 cu. in. engine only. 300 cu, in, engine only

Bedford TK models have a distinctive appearance, the example shown being a 5-tonner. Flashing direction indicators and large rectangular rear-view mirrors are standard.

stantially reduced under nearfade conditions.

On all models in the new range leading-and-trailing-shoe brakes are standard: 13-in.diameter units are used on both axles of the 3-, 4- and 5-ton chassis; 14-in.-diameter brakes are fitted to both axles of the 6-ton load carrier and the 8-ton tractive unit; and 16-in.-diameter brakes are used on both axles of the remainder of the range. The total available foot-brake frictional area is indicated in the accompanying table.

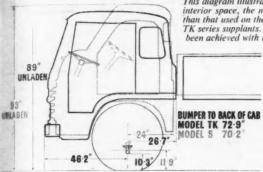
The use of a transmission hand brake is significant. Not only is retardation power substantially increased, because it passes through the rear-axle reduction gearing, but the design of the rear-axle braking units is simplified, as no allowance has to be made for mechanical actuation of them.

Lockheed disc-brake A assembly is used in the case of

71-tonners and 10- and 12-ton tractive units. Other vehicles in the range have drum brakes, and in each case the handbrake assembly is mounted on the tail end of the gearbox.

This reintroduction of the transmission brake may come as a surprise to many British operators, but it has many advantages. For instance, if any section of the foot-brake system fails, there is an independent and powerful hand brake which will withstand at least three stops in quick succession before fade occurs.

The foot-brake system in all cases embodies the Bedford tandem master cylinder. In the case of petrol-engined vehicles the hydraulic system is boosted by a specially developed Clayton Dewandre vacuum servo which draws power from the inlet manifold of the



engine. This is standard throughout the

Oil-engined chassis have an air servo

as standard, for which purpose a single-

cylindered compressor is mounted on the

engine. The only exception to this rule

applies in the case of oil-engined trac-

tive units when required for operation with vacuum-braked semi-trailers. Then

the compressor is replaced by an

effort is reduced by 30 per cent. in the

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This diagram illustrates that, despite the increased interior space, the new cab is only 2.7 in. larger than that used on the S and TC models which the TK series supplants. Thus the improvements have been achieved with negligible loss in load space.

> has been of particular advantage.

> Close attention has been paid to general suspension arrangements, and long front springs are used on all models, varying in length from 45 in. on the lighter vehicles to 53½ in. in the case of the heavier chassis. Leaves 3 in. wide

replace the former 21-in.-wide leaves, and suspension damping at the front axle has been improved by increasing the effective diameters of the telescopic dampers from 1 in. to 13 in.

New rear springs are employed on certain models, and in all cases new rear hanger brackets have been incorporated. Telescopic dampers are standard equipment on tippers and optional on others.

All TK chassis have frames which are flat-topped rearwards from the back of the cab, and cold-squeeze-riveting is employed throughout. Improved pedestal mountings are used with 14-ft. and 16ft.-long factory-built bodies. All 18-ft.long bodies are mounted on full-length timber longitudinal members.

Steel-cord tyres are standard on both types of 5-ton chassis, and are available as optional equipment on the 4- and 6-Without the use of such ton chassis. tyres it would have been almost impossible to specify 16-in.-diameter wheels for the 5-tonner. The small-diameter tyres bring the loading height down to 42½ in. in the case of the 5-tonner and 41½ in. on the 3-tonners and 4-tonners.

Another innovation is the offer of 17in.-diameter wheels as optional equipment on 6-ton models. These reduce loading height by 11 in. when compared with a 6-tonner equipped with 20-in.-diameter wheels. All models in the range have the latest Bedford "square blank" wheels, which, because of the absence of rivets, are claimed to have a longer life and greater freedom from distortion.

All the engines employed in the new range are basically similar to those formerly offered in S- and TC-series forward-control models and currently available in TJ-series normal-control chassis.

New crankcases have been required for the 200-cu.-in. oil engines and 300cu.-in. petrol and oil engines. Other modifications mainly affect clutch housings. In all cases the cooling systems incorporate a new design of radiator. which is placed immediately ahead of the engine. Cooling efficiency and accessibility for topping-up are promoted by the provision of separate header tanks.

Three-point mountings for the enginegearbox units have been retained, but the rear mounting is completely new. Swinging links fitted directly to the clutch housing replace the trunnion mounting.

Certain of the axles used in the new range are common to TJ models, but higher loading capacities have been achieved by increasing the thicknesses of the axle tubes and by the use of highercapacity bearings. A new single-speed hypoid-bevel axle, rated at 18,000 lb., is offered for the KGL 71-tonner.

The SB passenger chassis and R-type 4 x 4 goods chassis remain in production unchanged, as do the TJ normalcontrol goods models.

Changes in Bedford CA Van Models

N addition to the new TK range of vehicles forward - control goods announced this week by Vauxhall Motors, Ltd., several minor changes have been made to the Bedford CA 10-12-cwt. and 15-cwt. short- and long-wheelbase vans.

Standard equipment on these vehicles now are 13-in -diameter wheels, instead

of the 15-in,-diameter wheels previously increased by 13 cwt.

The smaller wheels have made it possible to use more compact front and rear wheel-arches, and flat-topped wheel-

employed, and these reduce the loading height by 1 in., the new dimension being 1 ft. 114 in. Another change is that the payload rating of all models has been

boxes are used at the rear. A choice of three axle ratios is offered: the standard ratio is 4.625 to 1, with the option of 5.286 or 4.111 to 1.

Lower gearbox ratios have also been adopted, whilst the 1.5-litre petrol engine incorporates new types of steel-backed big-end bearing.

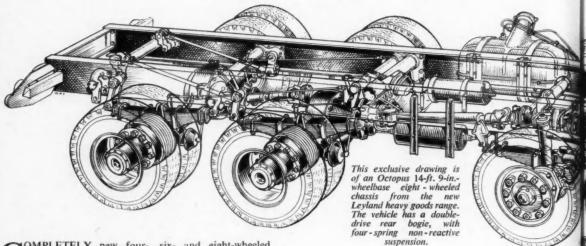
Steering geometry has been revised to give better handling characteristics at high speeds and when fully laden, whilst operation of the gear-change mechanism is stated to be smoother than previously.

A redesigned instrument-panel layout has been adopted, and this incorporates a combined ignition-and-starter switch, "pull-out" lighting switch, and toggle switches for the direction indicators and windscreen wipers.

Prices are slightly higher. The shortwheelbase 10-12-cwt. van costs £450, and the 15-cwt. version £460, whilst the longwheelbase models cost £470 and £480 respectively.

The latest versions of the Bedford CA vans have 13-in.-diameter wheels, and these reduce the loading height by 1 in. compared with earlier models on 15-in. wheels. Changes have also been made wheels. Changes have also been n to the steering and cab controls.

SWEEPING CHANGES II BIG LEYLAND MODEL



OMPLETELY new four-, six- and eight-wheeled heavy-duty goods vehicles are announced today by Leyland Motors, Ltd., Leyland, Lancs, to supplant the models which have been in production since shortly after the end of the war. Additionally, a new passenger model known as the Lion has been introduced: this is a rear-engined high-frame chassis for single-deck operation.

The goods vehicles are new from stem to stern. Briefly, their features include modifications of existing power unus which now give greater outputs and better economy; a new five-speed gearbox, with six- and seven-speed versions; new brakes; new double-reduction driving axles; new rearbogie suspension arrangements; power-assisted steering and hand brake; and a new forward-entrance cab, as used on Albion Clydesdale and Chieftain vehicles, but which is available in steel- or plastics-panelled forms.

Sir Henry Spurrier, chairman and managing director of Leyland Motors, Ltd., is stated to have directed personally the research work on the new power units. When announcing the vehicles, he said that, despite five years' development work on disc brakes, and air and hydraulic suspension systems, his engineers believed that these innovations were not ready yet and they had not been incorporated in the new range. Sir Henry added, however, that they could well appear during its life or that even better ideas—such as a brake that would never wear out—might be evolved.

The New Goods Range

THERE are five Beaver four-wheelers (14 tons gross), five Hippo six-wheelers (20 tons) and five Octopus eight-wheelers (24 tons). The Beaver tractive unit, however, has a gross train weight rating of 24 tons.

The Beaver models have wheelbases of 17 ft. 6 in., 15 ft. and 13 ft. 6 in. in the case of the general-haulage models; 12 ft. for the tipper chassis and 8 ft. for the tractive unit. The general-haulage Hippo and Octopus models share the same wheelbases—17 ft. and 14 ft. 9 in. in the case of both four- and two-spring rear-bogie versions. The Hippo E16

tipper has a wheelbase of 12 ft. 6 in., whilst the Octopus tipper is based on the 14-ft. 9-in.-wheelbase chassis.

Matching Scammell rubber- or air-sprung semi-trailers have been developed for use with the Beaver tractor, similar to the units detailed in last week's issue. These can have wedge- or cam-actuated brake units, either of which give a braking performance which is matched to that of the tractive unit. A matched single-axle semi-trailer for Super Comets has also been developed.

For the time being, at least, no changes are to be made to existing Super Beaver and Super Hippo normal-control models, whilst present passenger chassis are not affected. A new power unit has been developed for the Super Comet 14-ton-gross four-wheeler, however, this being a 400-cu.-in. oil engine with a net power output of 125 b.h.p. at 2,000 r.p.m.

Perhaps the most important features of the new goods models are the engines. Because of the additional power obtained from both the O.600 and

Worm axles have been dropped for the new range, and this illustration shows how the drive is passed through the leading double-reduction axle of a double-drive bogie. An airoperated lockable third differential is incorporated in the leading axle.

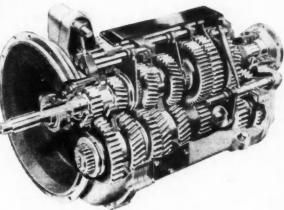


New Leyland Maximumcapacity Four-, Six- and Eight-wheelers Announced: Completely New Designs Have Many Interesting Features: Rear-engined Single-decker 450 lb.-ft. at 1,100 r.p.m.—a remarkable increase.

Specific fuel-consumption rates have improved slightly, and all these advantages have been obtained for the most part merely by modifying the inlet and exhaust porting and manifolds and changing the shape of the combustion

space in the piston crowns. The previous engines had toroidal cavities in the pistons, but by modifying the profile at the base of these cavities, improved combustion characteristics have been obtained. The new shape is known as Spheroidal. Brake mean effective pressures have been raised to approximately 120 p.s.i., compared with about 113 p.s.i. for the earlier engines.

Other relatively small changes concern the fuelinjection systems, the O.600 engine having a mechanical governor, whilst the O.680 has a hydraulic governor. Dry



cylinder liners are retained for both engines, but those used in the O.680 have chromium-plated bores.

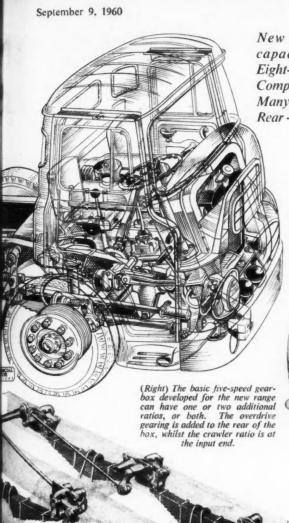
Throughout the new range the 0.600 engine at its "economy" 1,700 r.p.m. rating is the standard power unit. Whilst this has ample power to give entirely satisfactory operation in this country with maximum fuel economy and longevity, it can be obtained with higher ratings, or the 0.680 engine can be installed. In all cases the installation includes twin paper-element air cleaners and an improved cooling system incorporating a wax-type thermostat and a rubber-cowled fan which prevents recirculation of hot air through the radiator block.

High Torque Output

A similar 16.25-in.-diameter hydraulically operated clutch is employed with each engine. The high torque output of the O.680 unit necessitates stronger clutch springs, however, so the hydraulic circuit is air-assisted to reduce pedal effort.

The standard gearbox is a new five-speed constant-mesh unit designed for unit-mounting with the engine. Its forward ratios are 7.243, 4.613, 2.755, 1.69 and 1 to 1, with a reverse ratio of 6.5 to 1. An overdrive ratio of 0.766 to 1, engaged by the main gear lever, can be supplied, as can a crawler bottom gear of 9.31 to 1, which is controlled by a separate lever. Either or both of these additional ratios may be specified.

The overdrive section is installed on the rear of the gearbox, whilst the crawler gear is at the front and forms, in



O.680 engines, they have been named Power-Plus. The new O.600 has gross and net ratings of 146 b.h.p. and 140 b.h.p. respectively at 1,700 r.p.m., with additional ratings of up to 170 b.h.p. (gross) at 2,200 r.p.m., compared with 125 b.h.p. (net) at 1,800 r.p.m. in the case of the old engine.

An equally striking increase is seen in the case of the new O.680 engine, which now has gross and net ratings of 210 b.h.p. and 200 b.h.p. respectively at 2,000 r.p.m., compared with the earlier net rating of 150 b.h.p. at 2,000 r.p.m. Torque ratings also have been raised, the O.600 now developing 430 lb.-ft, at 1,200 r.p.m. (410 lb.-ft. at 900 r.p.m. formerly), whilst the O.680 produces 548 lb.-ft. at 1,200 r.p.m., against

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The

air-assisted hand brakes.

brake units are similar to those on

Super Comet and Leyland under-

floor-engined passenger chassis,

and a drum diameter of 15.5 in, is

common to all models. All front

brakes have 4.5-in.-wide linings.

whilst rear-brake linings are 7 in.

frictional area of 632.3 sq. in.,

whilst Hippo and Octopus models

have a total area of 1,002 sq. in.

A single-circuit system controlled

by a D1 valve has been used, and

the S-cam brakes are actuated by

diaphragm units working through

Recognizing the poor hand-

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current heavy goods vehicles,

Leyland engineers were deter-

mined to develop a satisfactory

hand-brake mechanism which

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Beaver models have a total

effect, a second set of constantmesh gears. Thus, it could take effect on all the other ratios. although it is not recommended for use in this rôle. It can, however, be employed to provide an extra-low reverse ratio of 8.36 to 1. A full torque and a 20-h.p. power take-off may be fitted and can be used while moving.

Hardy Spicer 1700-type propeller shafts drive into new double-reduction axles which work on the same principle as the Albion axle used in the Super Comet but have higher load and torque capacities. The secondary epicyclic gear trains are in the hubs, and have five planet gears and a reduction ratio of 3.46 to 1. Overall axle ratios are changed at the spiral-bevel primary reduction gearing, and the standard overall ratios offered are 7.74, 6.06 and 4.82 to 1.

When a double-drive bogie is fitted the leading driving axle incorporates an air-operated lockable third differential, and the drive from this to the second axle passes through the casing of the leading axle.

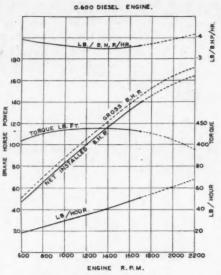
Two types of rear-bogie suspension are available. One is a non-reactive four-spring layout, in which the rear ends of the springs on each side are linked by a system of bell-crank levers and tie rods so that the tendency for either axle to lift under braking or driving torque is counteracted by the similar tendency of the other axle to do so also. This arrangement not only gives better braking and tractive adhesion, but should help to improve tyre life.

The other suspension system employs two inverted semielliptic springs with free ends which rest on the axle spring brackets. The springs are centrally pivoted to the chassis frame on rubber trunnion bushes, and the axles are located by a system of parallel torque rods. This layout is similar to that originally introduced on the Leyland Buffalo heavy-duty six-wheeler and is fully proved.

Power-assisted steering is standard on all models, for which purpose both engines have a hydraulic pump driven from the timing-gear train. Marles camand double-roller steering gear carried in a Leyland box and incorporating the control valves for the power ram, is used, and the standard ratio throughout the range is 28.5 to 1, giving 4½ turns of the steering wheel from lock to lock.

Semi-elliptic springs, 54-in. long, support the front axles of Beaver and Hippo models, whilst the Octopus chassis have similar springs on their leading axles and 48-in.-long springs on the second axles. In all cases telescopic dampers are standard equipment on the front axles.

Air-pressure braking is employed throughout the range, and an innovation is the use of single-pull,



Performance graph of the O.600 Power-Plus engine.

would be light to operate, but would still comply fully with legal requirements. As a result, all the new models have a single-pull lever which gives a mechanical advantage of 280 to 1, so that in the event of failure of the single diaphragm-type air servo, an effective brake is still available. With the servo in action a 20-lb. pull on the lever is equivalent to 150 lb, without assistance. The servo is controlled by a valve interposed in the rod linkage between the hand-brake lever and the relay cross-

adjusters.

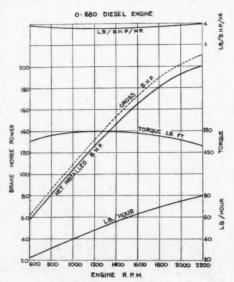
The chassis frames of Beaver models have 16-in.-thick side members with a maximum depth of 91 in. except in the case of the 17-ft. 6-in-wheelbase chassis, which has a $\frac{1}{4}$ -in. frame, $11\frac{2}{3}$ in. deep. The frames of Hippo 20H. 12R and 20H.13R and Octopus 24O.9R and 24O.10R models (those with four-spring rear bogies) are ‡ in. thick, with a maximum depth of 112 in., whilst the heavier Hippo and Octopus chassis, all of which have two-spring rear bogies, have 16-in. frames with a maximum depth of 12 in.

shaft, the left end of which shaft is acted on by the servo.

Bolting is used throughout the assembly of all frames. Flitch plates are employed on certain models and, a change from previous practice, a greater number of tubular cross-members is employed.

Ten-stud wheels are used on all models, and the standard tyres on home-market Beavers and Hippos are 10.00-20-in. (14-ply), with 11.00-20-in. (12-ply) equipment on export vehicles. All Octopus chassis have 9.00-20-in. (12-ply) tyres as standard. Beavers and Hippos have B7.5 wheels whilst Octopus chassis have B7.

A new design of two-piece pressed fuel tank, similar to that employed on Comet and Super Comet chassis, has been adopted for the new range. The standard capacity on haulage models is 48 gal., whilst tippers and tractive



The O.680 unit develops 200 b.h.p. (net).

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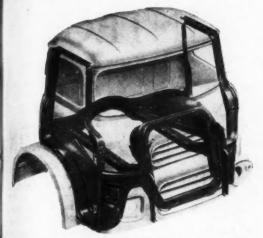
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The new plastics cab offered for the range has moulded panels bonded to the steel framing of the standard all-steel design. This framing includes the one-piece door frame pressings which give rigidity to the assembly.

units have 36-gal. tanks. The electrical equipment is 24v.

The standard cab for the new range is almost identical with that employed on Albion Clydesdale and Chieftain models, having also a number of components common to the Comet and Super Comet cab. It is all-steel, with entrance steps ahead of the front wheels.

A plastics-panelled version of this cab, identical in appearance but weighing 2 cwt. less, is offered for the first time. The moulded reinforced plastics panels, which include the roof, front and rear assemblies, doors and wings, are resin-bonded to the main frame members used in the all-steel version. These members include the deep-drawn, one-piece door frames, giving maximum rigidity.

Each cab can be equipped with a fresh-air heating and demisting system, whilst provision is made also for the installation of radio, sun visor and flashing indicators. The underside of the cab and front wings and the interior of the door panels are given weather-sealing treatment during manufacture, and a front bumper bar is standard equipment.

Power-Plus O.400 Engine

THE new O.400 Power-Plus engine for use in the Super Comet models has a capacity of 6.54 litres, the bore being 107.19 mm. and stroke 120.65 mm. Gross and net power outputs of 131 b.h.p. and 125 b.h.p. at 2,400 r.p.m. are quoted, whilst the net torque output is 300 lb.-ft. at 1,600 r.p.m.

The engine differs in several respects from the 0.375 unit which it replaces in the Super Comet. Not least of the differences is the use of Spheroidal combustion chambers in the piston crowns, Laystall Chromard thin-wall cylinder liners, and inlet and exhaust manifolds located on opposite sides of the cylinder head.

Another small but significant change is that parallelfaced piston rings are employed, as opposed to the wedgeection rings used in other Leyland engines. The wedge form was originally intended to prevent the rings sticking in their grooves, but modern detergent oils avoid this trouble, so dispensing with the need for rings of special section.

The fuel-injection pump is a Simms Mini in-line unit, and Leyland four-hole injectors are employed. The injec-

tion pump has a mechanical governor. Possible distortion of the cylinder head and gasket has been overcome by the use of five studs and a bolt equally spaced around each bore.

Worldmaster+Atlantean=Lion

A WORLDMASTER chassis with an Atlantean rear end forms the basis of the new Lion passenger vehicle. Its layout is similar to that of foreign vehicles which have proved popular with coach operators, in that the underfloor space between the axles can be used for luggage accommodation.

The Lion has a wheelbase of 20 ft., making it suitable for 34-ft.-long bodywork, and is available with left- or right-hand drive. The standard chassis has the 0.600 Power-Plus engine rated at 140 b.h.p., but the 0.680 210-b.h.p. unit can be fitted, and this will be seen in the Show exhibit, which is afterwards to be shipped to Highway Products, Ltd., Ohio, U.S.A.

As with the Atlantean, the power unit is mounted transversely in unit with a Pneumo-Cyclic four-speed semiautomatic gearbox and angle-drive box. The power pack is mounted in a detachable sub-frame which bolts to the rear frame extensions and to additional cranked channel members. The frame side members are reinforced with channel sections between the axles, whilst there are nine cross-members, eight of which have adjacent outriggers.

On standard 11.00-20-in. (12-ply) tyres the frame height is 34 in. Semi-elliptic springs are standard equipment at both axles, with telescopic dampers at the front, but a leaf-air suspension system may be specified for the front axle. The S-cam air-operated brakes have a total lining area of 702 sq. in., and Leyland worm-and-nut steering gear is employed.

A new form of air filtration has been developed as optional equipment for this vehicle to combat the heavy dust pollution which prevails on unsurfaced roads overseas. Air is drawn in at the front of the vehicle at roof level and is ducted through the roof and out at the rear above the engine compartment. The air is then drawn into a multi-element cyclone filter with more than 300 individual filter units, and this precipitates the finer dust particles into an underslung hopper. Thus only clean air is drawn into the engine compartment, for both cooling and breathing.

Like the Atlantean, the Lion can have an external engine compartment or one incorporated in the body rear styling to give a smooth line. For the former layout there is a plastics cowl incorporating faired fins with prominent rear lights and direction indicators. The Lion chassis has an unladen weight of 5 tons 19 cwt., and its gross weight rating is 13½ tons.

THE new Leyland 0.400 oil engine described on this page has been adopted as the standard power unit in a new series of Albion Reiver 6 x 4 and 6 x 2 chassis. A form of the non-reactive bogie has also been developed. The 0.400 is to be used in the Clydesdale range.

A change has also been made with regard to the specification of Albion Nimbus and Claymore underfloorengined passenger and goods chassis. These models are in future to be equipped with the standard Albion five-speed constant-mesh gearbox as used in Chieftain, Clydesdale and Reiver chassis. This replaces the four-speed unit previously employed.

An exclusive road-test report of one of the new Reiver chassis will be published in next week's issue of The Commercial Motor.

APABLE of carrying 4,000 gal. any liquid with a specific gravin of up to 0.847, a rear-engine maximum-load eight-wheeled tanker light-alloy integral construction will | one of the most outstanding Comme cial Motor Show exhibits.

Known as the Europa and built by Thompson Bros. (Bilston), Ltd., Bilston Staffs, in conjunction with Leyland Motors, Ltd., for the B.P. company, the tanker is designed to provide a high degree of stability at its maximum spec of 45 m.p.h.

The use of Dunlop leaf-air springs on the two steering axles has overcom steering and suspension difficulties the might have arisen from the distribution of weight with a rear-engined layout Ease of handling is enhanced by Westinghouse air-pressure-assisted ster-

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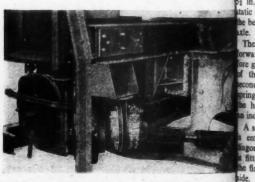
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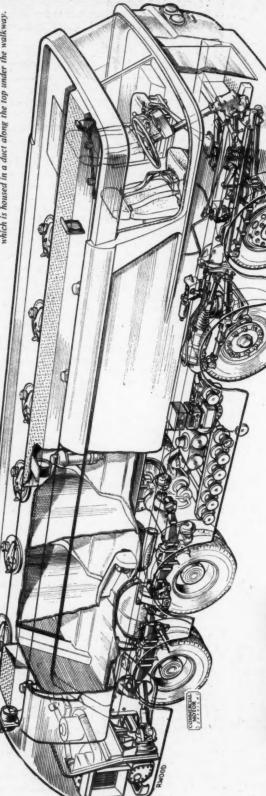
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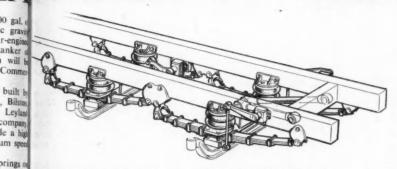
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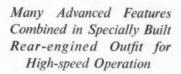
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To counter braking torque reaction, the first front axle is equipped with radius arms. These are anchored to the centre of the axle and linked to brackets on the frame runners adjacent to the mountings of a channel-section cross-member at the front. Metalastik flexible bushes are used throughout,

A cylindrical surge tank is provided for each suspension system. The connecting pipe is equipped with an isolator valve to stabilize pressure variations between the two tanks. The tanks are mounted longitudinally between the axles, whilst the reservoir is in the cab.

It is believed that the suspension represents the first application of air springs to the twin steering axles of a multi-wheeled vehicle, and, as expected, a number of difficulties had to be overcome to match the combined characteristics of the leaf springs and air bellows to load requirements.



The first front axle has asymmetric leaf These give a beam location 3 ft. from the front spring eye and 2 ft. 2 in, from the rear eye, the total spring length being 5 ft, 2 in. The beam of the second axle is arranged symmetrically in the centre of 4-ft. 4-in. springs.

Of the oscillating-beam type, the rear suspension is based on leaf springs with a length of 4 ft. The hanger brackets are outrigged from the runners. Michelin Metallic C.20 tyres are fitted,

Argonarc Welded

Built of NS 6 5/32-in,-thick aluminium alloy, the basic six-compartment integral structure is argonarc welded throughout. An extremely rigid layout is provided by welded-in box-section runners at the top and bottom of the structure on both sides. These are braced internally by box-sectioned stiffeners welded to the compartment divisions. The main loads are not therefore transmitted to the panels of the tank.

Lower runners of the structure are extended forward to support the cab and the forward shackles of the first front axle, and extensions to the rear of the structure are employed for mounting the

engine cover.

Approximate depth of the runners is 8 in., but the depth of the lower runners is increased to 10 in. over the driving The engine-mounting brackets are underslung from these sections.

The shape of the tank is designed to

eliminate the need for cleansing rings and give full drainage of the liquid. The minimum angle of the sides and ends is 10 de-

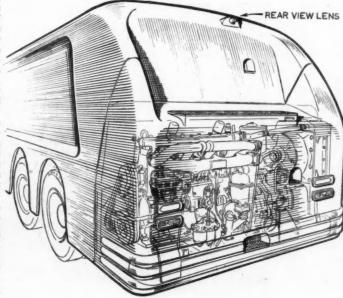
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Four cross-bracing members of similar trough form are employed to stiffen the

grees. The shape of the lower part of the struca shallow trough and the main runners are

structure torsionally.

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The disposition of the Leyland engine is shown in this drawing of the rear of the Europa. The installation is designed for easy overhaul.

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welded to the runners on each side to cover the joints between the two sections, and the outer flange members of the bearers are plug welded as well as continuously welded in line with the division plates of the tank.

Access to shackle bracket bolts is provided by apertures on the inside of the runners. These are locally stiffened by welded-in steel liners. Zinc-chromate paint is applied to the mating surfaces of the two metals to obviate the possibility of corrosion.

Resistance to Bending

At a number of points of increased stress concentration, aluminium distance pieces are inserted in the runners to increase resistance to bending. An example is the section of the off-side runner on which the steering box is mounted.

Front anchorage for the lower runners is provided by two light-alloy tapered box-section members which form the pillars of the driver's entrance hatch, whilst the main structure is extended at the top to form the cab roof. The cab structure is further stiffened by a box-section waist rail, and is internally lined with pleasant upholstered aluminium panelling.

External panelling is formed by a onepiece glass-fibre moulding impregnated with epoxy resin. Plastics mouldings are also used for the side panels below waist level and the engine cover. Side areas of the tank are finished in B.P.



green, white and yellow livery. Fíreproof bulkheads at the front and rear are based on an angle-section light-alloy framework.

The vehicle has a wheelbase of 16 ft. 10 in., front and rear tracks are 6 ft. $1\frac{1}{2}$ in. and 5 ft. $11\frac{1}{2}$ in. respectively, and the overall length is 29 ft. 11 in. The height is 8 ft. 4 in., and the width 7 ft. $10\frac{1}{2}$ in.

Driver comfort and safety have been specially studied in the Europa's design. The Chapman adjustable seats in the cab are of aircraft style and have Delaney Gallay harnesses.

Specially designed for the vehicle, the Barr and Stroud optical rear-view unit supplements conventional driving mirrors and gives a 40° conc of sight to 3° above the horizon and to within 8 ft of the rear of the vehicle at ground level.

A special duct is built along the loof the vehicle under the walkway house the lens system, to which a view is relayed through prisms. At a front of the duct the image is recensive a graticulated screen, with 6 in, lateral head freedom, and reflected on an adjustable 6-in, diameter driving mirror which is mounted in the norm position.

The instrument panel is illuminated by an Electro luminescence cold-light system supplied by Thorn Electrical Industries, Ltd. This is of the type developed for aircraft to eliminate glare and reflection. Current consumption is negligible.

Heating and ventilating equipment is of the Smiths twin-unit type. The pipes are carried between the double skin of the cab

Liquid-handling equipment comprises an Avery Hardoll meter and bottom-loading system with quick-acting couplings, and a Goodyear 150-g.p.m. pump. A filter and air separator are also of Avery Hardoll manufacture. Safety features include an engine exhaus system with a centrifugal flame trap.

B.M.C. Take Tuition to the Dealer

THE first six of a fleet of new mobile service training units are introduced today by B.M.C. Service, Ltd. Six more are on order. They are based on B.M.C. long-wheelbase coach chassis with a 2-ft. 1-in. extension, giving a wheelbase of 17 ft. 1 in. and an overall length of 30 ft. The vehicles are 8 ft. wide and 9 ft. 9 in. high. They have B.M.C. 5.1-litre oil engines.

The mobile schools are intended primarily for the instruction of dealers' staff. Apart from three permanent schools in England, there are establishments in Australia, South Africa, Ghana, Canada and the U.S.A. where distributors' employees are instructed. Restrictions on accommodation prevent the acceptance of dealers' staff at these schools, and the mobile units will help to make good the

deficiency.

Marshall Motor Bodies, Ltd.,
Cambridge, built the bodies of the
six vehicles, which have five-speed
gearboxes, Eaton two-speed axles
and air brakes.

This is the first of six Marshallbodied vehicles based on B.M.C. coach chassis which are to be used for the instruction of B.M.C. dealers' staffs at home and

overseas.

A bulkhead with a sliding door separates the spacious cab from the instruction room. Behind the driver's adjustable seat is a bench seat for three people, with another bucket seat beside the driver. Heating and ventilating equipment and radio apparatus are fitted in the cab.

There is a 2-in. lining of resin-bonded insulation between the inner and outer skins of the body.

The school section of the body is 17 ft. 6 in. long and 7 ft. 2 in. wide. It is entered by double doors at the side, with external steps. There are large side windows and a rear window identical to the wide wrap-round windscreen.

Equipment includes a Merlin Calimaster for calibrating fuel pumps of oil engines and a Crypton Motormaster tester for petrol engines. Service took are mounted on boards which clip to the sides of the vehicle during training, but are stored in lockers below the floor in transit. Each locker has a light with a time switch.

The Calimaster, strip lighting and Frigidaire air-conditioning unit operate from mains supplies, but emergency lighing is provided from the battery. Other equipment includes a film projector.

In the first place the mobile school will operate in Britain, but later the service will be extended overseas. Two instructors will be assigned to each vehicle.



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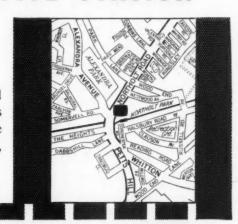
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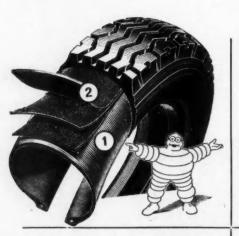
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An American Looks at M1

So long as MI does not become integrated with any urban road system, it will be a fine start to a new national network. MI appeared to me, on my recent visit to Britain, to be more like the German autobahns than the American freeways in that it is designed to serve traffic running between areas of the country rather than into and through cities.

America is already learning that some of its freeways will soon be carrying heavy volumes of purely ocal city traffic, rather than high-speed long-distance traffic for which they were originally designed.

British operators should not experience tyre problems if they choose the proper equipment for motorway work. One of our manufacturers has produced two new tubeless tyres to replace 20-in. and 22-in. covers of conventional type. Their sizes are 11–22.5-in. and 11–24.5-in.

Average of 180° F.

The smaller tyre, loaded to its rated capacity of 4,880 lb. at recommended pressure, runs at an average temperaure of 180° F. at a sustained 75 m.p.b. This is under normal climatic conditions. In desert country its temperature would reach 250° F., but even this is well below the point, 380° F., at which nylon begins to break down.

It would therefore appear that suitable tyre equipment for the British operator can be provided. A valuable accessory is a thermometer to indicate any undue rise in tyre temperature. It value greatly exceeds its cost.

A tyre fire, should it occur, is extremely hard to put out. The only ure way is to immerse the tyre completely in earth or water. Merely to out out obvious flames or smouldering is not enough, for the fire would recur once the temperature built up again to the point of spontaneous combustion.

Among the acute problems which face American operators is that of brakes. This is particularly critical in mountainous country, and the police will stop any vehicle the brakes of which show the slightest sign of smoking. Devices such as water coolers and exhaust brakes have been ried, but only exhaust brakes seem to be acceptable, as other equipment is too heavy. Disc brakes would appear to be ideal for American conditions. Although American law requires that front-wheel brakes be fitted, in

ctual practice drivers and operators lacken off the adjusters so that the

Multi-ratio Gearboxes, as Generally Employed in the U.S.A., Recommended for British High-speed Lorries

By Bryan A. Parker

brakes are inoperative on wet and icy roads. Front-wheel braking at high speed is dangerous.

In very low temperatures, the tensile strength of steel drops and fifth-wheel couplings have been known to fail. Lubricants have to withstand extremes of temperature. Tyres lose traction in cold weather to the extent of 15 per cent. at minus 20° F.

With high-speed operation it is difficult to arrive at an economic power rating which will enable fast average speeds to be maintained without excessive fuel consumption. I observed MI traffic at a spot about 25 miles south of Rugby, about halfway up a gradient appromixately a third of a mile long. It seemed that those vehicles which passed me had only a main gearbox, because the engine speed could be heard to fall off rapidly at the gradient.

It seemed that engines were labouring before a lower ratio could be selected, and that the gearbox ratios were therefore too widely separated. In the United States the practice is to install 10- or 12-speed gearboxes. In general, the gear splits are at approximately 250-300 r.p.m., and vehicles so equipped are able to maintain high average speeds and climb gradients quickly, thus reducing the nuisance of slow-moving traffic hindering normal flow.

Long Engine Life

Over the years it has been shown that such vehicles have a long engine life and good fuel economy because the engines always operate well within their most efficient torque-h.p. range.

Slow overtaking on express highways is intolerable, and in California there is a law which states that there must be a difference of at least 11 m.p.h. between an overtaking vehicle and the one it is passing, whilst the complete manœuvre must be completed in no more than 1,320 ft.

Great importance is attached to cab comfort in the U.S.A., together with the adequacy of rear-view mirrors, the standard size of which is 1 ft. 3 in. by 5 in. Efficient heaters are also common. The British practice of

driving on side lights only would invite immediate arrest in America. I thought that the side and rear lights of British vehicles were inadequate, and that lamps should be fitted to each corner of a vehicle.

Drivers in big American companies are required to stop every 100 miles to check oil and water levels, tyre pressures, ropes, and trailer and pneumatic brake couplings. Every goods vehicle is required to carry certain safety equipment including a fire extinguisher, spare bulbs and fuses, hand tools and warning devices for use when stationary in an emergency.

These consist of red magnesium flares which burn for 20 minutes, paraffin flare pots or reflectors. Three warning signs are required, one to be placed 100 ft. ahead of the disabled vehicle, another 100 ft. behind and the third 10 ft. from the vehicle and 3 ft. to the off side.

Drivers Must be Fit

High-speed driving requires men with special training, and in good physical condition. The Interstate Commerce Commission have set minimum standards of vision, hearing and general fitness to which all drivers must conform, and all bus and lorry drivers must pass a medical examination at least every three years. Certificates are issued to them and they must always be carried.

Travel fatigue becomes critical at speeds above 60 m.p.h. and insurance companies' records show that serious accidents frequently occur on straight stretches of road. The generally adopted 50 m.p.h. speed limit has been arrived at after many years of study. Several companies have their own patrol cars which report on any driver's violation of speed limits, and other malpractices.

Most American vehicles have both road-speed and engine-speed recorders. These are regarded as safeguards for both employer and employee. Drivers and their unions favour them as men are paid from charts, and the information they provide is accepted as evidence whenever necessary in courts of law. The charts are also useful to maintenance engineers as they record up to 1m. miles and 999m. engine revolutions.

From my conversations with several British lorry drivers, I gathered that most seemed to think that two-speed axles were acceptable, but they were not keen about multi-ratio transmission systems with two gear levers to operate.

Clutch Operation by Air

NEW drum brakes, a fully automatic clutch system, an air-servo braking unit and a fuel-water separator are to be exhibited by the Automotive Products Co., Ltd., and their associated companies at the Commercial Motor Show.

Providing fully automatic clutch operation when a vehicle is starting from rest, the Autoclutch system is an addition to the range of units produced by Borg and Beck Co., Ltd. The system is used with the standard clutch in vehicles having synchromesh gearboxes.

Connected to the clutch operating lever, a diaphragm-type servo is worked by compressed air or vacuum and is convehicle is parked, so that the engine acts as a brake if a gear is engaged.

Produced by the Lockheed Hydraulic Brake Co., Ltd., a new air-servo braking unit is known as the Air Pak. It caters for gross vehicle weights of up to 24 tons and is similar both in design and output to the Lockheed Hydrovae.

The Air Pak is integral with an auxiliary reservoir, which has sufficient capacity for emergency conditions and eliminates the necessity of a separate

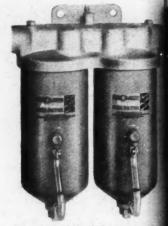
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Air is fed to the operating side of the power piston from a compressor that can also supply other air-actuated equipment. Designed to facilitate integral mounting with the unloader valve, the unit also provides for pipe connection to the valve.

Novel drum brakes to be shown by the company include a 13-in. by 3-in. front brake and a 13-in. by 2\frac{1}{2}-in. rear brake. The front brake is of the two-leading-shoe type and normal lining thickness is \frac{1}{2} in.

Linings of &-in. thickness are available for arduous work. Basically similar to established types in the Lockheed range, the rear brake is worked by a transverse cylinder which incorporates the operating mechanism for the hand brake.

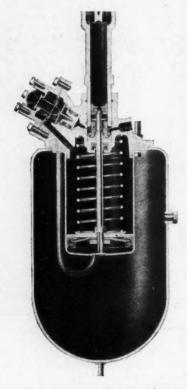
Particularly suited to arduous conditions overseas, a new Purolator fuel-



The new Purolator fuel-water separate is designed for vehicles operating over seas. It has a capacity of 50 g.p.h.

water separator has been produced Automotive Products Co., Ltd. designed to combat heavy moisture edensation in vehicle fuel tanks. The fi will extract water droplets and emulsi water to within five parts in one mill

The unit to be displayed at Earls Co has a capacity of 50 g.p.h. Smaller mowith capacities from 5 g.p.h. will available in the near future.



Suitable for vehicles with gross weights of up to 24 tons, the Lockheed Air Pak is a new air-servo unit which is produced in a capacity range giving output characteristics comparable with those of existing Hydrovac vacuum-type units.

trolled by two valves. One is actuated by a belt-driven governor and the other by the gear lever. The governor valve gives automatic engagement when starting, whilst the gear-lever valve is operated during gear-changing.

An auxiliary control unit is incorporated in the system to ensure that clutch operation is smooth and progressive. This comprises a series of closely grouped valves, which prevent harsh application of the operating medium.

A safety device is fitted which obviates disengagement of the clutch when the

Public Cleansing is Costing More

COSTING returns for 1958-59, published by the Ministry of Housing and Local Government this week, revealed that the average net cost per ton for the collection and disposal of refuse has increased to £2 16s. 6d., compared with £2 15s. 11d. for the previous year.

Of the total expenditure shown in these returns, 53 per cent, is attributable to labour and 34 per cent, to transport. Included in the transport costs are running and maintenance costs, wages of drivers and mechanics and all revenue charges, including loan charges, relating to renewals and provision of new vehicles.

A distinction is made in these returns between authorities that weigh 80 per cent. or more of their refuse and the remainder. Segregation of costs in this former group shows that the proportion allocated to transport for collection amounted to 19s. 8d. per ton compared with 19s. 2d. the previous year. The cost of disposal, however, remains the same at 3s. 2d. per ton.

Indicative of the tendency to over-

Indicative of the tendency to overestimate tonnages and so obscure the true unit cost, the corresponding estimate for those authorities which weigh less than 80 per cent. of their refuse is given as 14s. 6d. a ton for collection and 1s. 4d. a ton for disposal.

The cost of collection and disposal of house and trade refuse in county boroughs for the year totalled £12,020,380, of which 34 per cent, attributable to transport. Gross of per ton for the transport of this reflaveraged 18s. 4d. This latter figure further broken down to 17s. 9d. per at seaside holiday resorts, 15s. 5d. ton in coal-mining towns and 18s. 8d. ton in the remaining county borous

Costings for the Metropolitan boroughs, serving a population of 3,225,000, reveal that the total expenditure on collection and delivery amounted to £4,073,219, whilst the gross cost per ton for transport was £1 5s. 2d.

In the non-county boroughs, with a estimated population of 9,193,612, total expenditure amounted to £7,636,558. The average cost of transport for the whole of the non-county boroughs was 16s, 84 per ton, but only 12s. 10d. per ton in the coal-mining towns. The percentage of total gross expenditure incurred by transport was 33.

In the urban districts the gross coshiles per ton for transport was 13s. 6d., whilst the percentage of total expenditure relade mained at 33.

In the county boroughs, £363,563 was spent in 1958-59 on transport in corperametrion with street gully cleansing an £926,474 on street sweeping and watering. In this group 18,249 miles of streets were cleansed at a net cost per street mile of £217. In the Metropolitan boroughs 2,422 miles of streets were cleansed a weig a cost of £816 per mile.

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A LOW-LOADING cranked-frame semi-trailer with independent rubber suspension, and a straight-frame semi-trailer with twin in-line axles, will be the main chibits of Charles Pitt (Barton Stacey), Ltd., at the commercial Motor Show at Earls Court.

Pitt are well known for their industrial and agricultural railers, but have only recently embarked upon the productor of semi-trailers. The concern are taking part in a

Commercial Motor Show for the first time. The ingenuity apparent is the units shown should stand to company in good stead for the specialized market which they intend to serve.

The 6-ton cranked-frame semi-

amed the So-Lo and is primarily tesimed as the basis of a van. The trading-arm suspension layout for the single wheels makes the least possible acroachment on well space, whilst the progressive characteristics of the rubber springs provide good roll resistance and well-sprung unladen ride.

Welded Stub Axles

Each stub axle is welded to the centre of an 8-in.-deep and 2-in.-wide forged-steel trailing arm. Ahead of the wheel, which carries an 11.00-20-in. (14-ply) tyre, the arm is pivoted, through a large phosphor-bronze bush, on a bracket attached to an outrigger on the main rolled-steel chassis longitudinal.

At the rear, each trailing arm is turned through 90 degrees to end in a flat tongue which enters a slot in a vertical tubular pillar mounted directly behind the wheel. Inside the pillar, above and below the tongue, are Aeon rubber springs. The top spring, which reacts to upward wheel movement, is a three-convolution type, whilst the lower Aeon rubber, which accommodates rebound forces, has a lower load capacity and only two bellows.

The upper spring abuts against a hinged flap covering the top of the pillar. The position of this flap can be changed by releasing or taking up two locknuts. This alters the characteristics of the suspension to suit conditions of loading by varying the static stressing of the springs.

Adjustable Suspension

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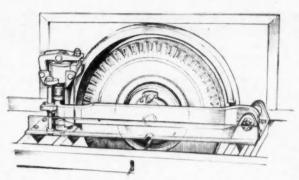
The adjustment can be carried out by the driver, the flap being screwed down for fully laden running and eased off, to soften the suspension action, when the load is removed.

Rear location for the trailing arms is provided by rubber-mounted bobbins attached to brackets on them which slide up and down steel columns.

On the suspension fitted to the semi-trailer to be exhibited, the only components requiring lubrication are the forward pivots for the trailing arms and the wheel hubs. If required, Pitt can fit self-lubricating bearings in the pivots to reduce maintenance still further.

The suspension of the So-Lo semitrailer provides only 24 in overall deflection at the stub axles, but, because of the progressive characteristics of the rubber springs, this is quite adequate.

Pitt trailing-arm rubber suspension is fitted to a cranked-frame semitrailer for pantechnicon bodywork. Two Aeon springs are housed in the tubular pillar at the rear.



Rubber Suspension and In-line Bogie by Pitt

Apart from the suspension, the So-Lo design is of conventional construction with a frame made up of rolled-steel channel-section longitudinals and tubular cross-members. It is an all-welded fabrication and is fitted with a Scammell automatic coupling forecarriage and Girling centre-pull brakes working on 3½-in.-wide shoes in 154-in.-diameter brake drums.

Although this is the first production application of rubber suspension carried

Pitt Show Promise with First Semi-trailer Designs: Cranked-frame Model with Independent Rubber Suspension and In-line-axle Bogie to be Seen at Earls Court

out by Pitt, its success on six similar units already in service has led to further design studies with other axle layouts, all using Aeon rubber springs.

Projected designs include tandem-axle bogies with independently suspended wheels (with and without inter-axle compensation), detachable rubber-sprung axles for machinery carriers and single, straight-through axle applications.

Life of the rubber springs in the So-Lo suspension is expected to be greater than that of similar units used only as helper springs, the rubber having a better fatigue life when used constantly than when employed intermittently.

It is estimated that the springs should give some 70,000-80,000 miles before replacement. If they do fail, the vehicle is not immobilized, as the bellows merely collapse to give a harder but not unacceptable ride. Replacement is simple and relatively inexpensive.

Pitt's other design for the Show is a 12-ton straight-frame semi-trailer fitted with their own in-line-axle bogie, Each stub axle is supported on short laminated leaf springs mounted above and below its centre. The forward spring eyes pivot on Metalastik rubber bushes mounted in a fabricated box which, with stub-axle oscillation, swings within a

surrounding cradle on two taper-roller bearings.

A similar pivoting block at the rear embraces the flat trailing ends of the springs which slide on detachable steel slipper plates incorporated in it. Each pivot assembly is substantially braced by a box-section beam dropped at an angle from the underside of the chassis frame.

The stub axles carry eight-stud hubs and 9.00-20 in. (12-ply) tyres. Brakedrum diameter is 15½ in., and the linings are 5 in. wide. The centre-pull-type Girling brake units (used on all Pitt models) are actuated by Clayton Dewandre vacuum servos.

Novel Flooring

The chassis frame is of welded construction and consists of rolled-steel channel-section longitudinals and crossmembers. The channel-section side raves are outrigged to an overall width of 7 ft. 6 in, and their upper flanges are raised above the main longitudinals to permit a novel method of flooring. The transverse boards are wedged into place by tapered blocks screwed to the raves.

A proprietary fifth-wheel coupling is fitted but the retractable landing gear is a special Pitt design. The widely spaced legs, each fitted with twin cast wheels, fold rearwards when retracted by a central worm-and-screw mechanism. The screw gear does not receive any of the forces arising from shock loads on the legs when the semi-trailer is picked up and dropped.

Such loads are carried by wheels attached to the angled landing-gear supports, which run in tracks formed by the semi-trailer's normal sub-frame. The landing-gear legs have four alternative mounting points which permit their height to be adjusted so that the semi-trailer can be matched closely to different tractors.

The semi-trailer shown will be suitable for a platform body 23 ft. 6 in. long and 7 ft. 6 in. wide, but it will be only half-decked to expose the underfloor Thompson winch. Pitt will also show the rubber suspension unit, as fitted to the So-Lo trailer, and an in-line bogie as separate exhibits.

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Political Commentary

By JANUS

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7HAT proportion of road goods traffic is being carried illegally can hardly even be estimated. The number of successful prosecutions merely shows what a fairly small enforcement staff and the police have been able to detect and bring to book. The complaints of established operators, and the occasional comments of such people as Licensing Authorities, are evidence of a vast number of offences of which the people whose task it is to maintain the law are unaware, or upon which they have neither the time nor the manpower to check.

The legislators cannot have overlooked the fact that there would be temptations to break the law. There would be no purpose in restricting entry into an industry unless a good many people outside were anxious to get in. Sometimes they seek or do not resist the opportunity to jump over the wall. Any one of a number of reasons may explain why a man carries goods without holding a proper licence. He may not even be aware that a licence is required, and this is sometimes accepted as a reasonable excuse. He may have bought a lorry in advance, on the mistaken assumption that this would weigh in his favour in the traffic court. When he is disillusioned, he will often test the possibilities of using the vehicle without the blessing of the Licensing Authority.

One suspects that for the most part the offender knows very well what he is doing. He believes, with a great deal of truth, that the law will have great difficulty in catching him. If after a while he is unlucky enough to be caught, he is prepared to pay a relatively small fine and to continue his unlawful activities unperturbed. He classifies unlicensed operation with certain motoring offences that the public refuse to regard as serious illegalities. In itself, in fact, it presents no threat to public safety; but it does so happen that the man who breaks the law by holding no licence is likely to offend in other ways, by ignoring speed limits, standards of vehicle maintenance and the regulations governing hours and wages.

Attitudes Differ

The established operators naturally all have the same general opinion of the illegal haulier, but the opinion varies in intensity from one operator to another. Some are inveterate in their enmity and would like to see the full penalty inflicted for any infringement of the law, however slight. Others, while they are not prepared to condone, see no need to protest unless there is abstraction of traffic from an established carrier.

The difference in attitude comes out clearly in the protests about the notorious and large-scale evasion of the licensing provisions by operators, many of them owner-drivers, working on one or other of the large-scale civil-engineering projects, and particularly a new motorway or trunk road. Local tipping-vehicle specialists argue reasonably that they should be given the job of carrying materials to and from the site. Some of the work does come their way, but probably the greater proportion goes to a shifting population of small men, few of them holding licences. Nobody can blame the lawful operators if they complain to the authorities and to their M.P.s, and try every other available means of putting a stop to the illegalities.

Not all the operators go as far as this. It may be the case that there is far more work than they can handle. Someone else must take the surplus, and they may think it none of their business who is chosen. If they would have no right to object to an application for a proper licence to do the

work, they assume that they would be no more than common informers if they complained because the work was being done without a licence.

Through his ability and willingness to live cheaply, o perhaps through simple ignorance, the nomadic haulier prepared to accept rates that would not keep established operators in business. For this reason, if for no other, t contractor will regard him favourably and do everythin possible to keep him. When it comes to a showdown an the law intervenes, the operator is able to go to the Licensii Authority with the strong and urgent backing of his employer. In spite of previous misdemeanours, he is usually granted the short-term B licence which is all that ne requires, The local hauliers who may have spent time and energy in bringing him to book have merely helped to provide for him a cloak of respectability.

Double-edged Sword

They may well find that every attempt they make to see that the law is enforced turns out to be a double-edged weapon. On some of, the rates that are alleged to be paid it is hard to see how anybody can make a living after meeting even the running costs of vehicles. The inference is that vehicle and driver are worked far beyond the limits of the law, and the obvious next step is to urge more frequent inspections. This can be done only by providing more inspectors. As a result, the disgruntled hauliers find themselves advocating the appointment of the prying civil servants and the hordes of officials that they have always deprecated. The situation becomes Gilbertian when the complainants find themselves coping with, and in some cases pleading guilty to, the extra officials they have helped to bring into being.

Only a small proportion of hauliers are interested in tipping work, and not all of them are anxious that their vehicles should deteriorate under the punishing treatment they receive on the kind of site that attracts the unlicensed operator. It might seem good policy to allow him to ruin himself under conditions of extreme discomfort. It might seem even more self-evident that hauliers who do not run tippers should ignore the situation entirely.

Such a comfortable doctrine would be dangerous. Illegalities such as those practised by the small foot-loose operators bring into disrepute not only them but the whole industry. Public criticism cannot be avoided completely by deflecting it on to a small minority. Too often an industry is judged by its black sheep.

Every branch of road haulage is engaged to some degree or other in a constant battle to keep rates up to an economic level. There are many forces at work for the purpose of depressing them. If these forces succeed in one section of the industry, or even on the periphery in that no-man'sland where the writ of the Licensing Authority does not run, the effect will be felt ultimately by every haulier, however secure he may think himself.

There will also be an adverse effect on the workers in road haulage. That nobody has the right to starve in Britain today might well be a principle adopted by the industry. The small men on tipping work are able to operate at ridiculous rates partly because they seem content to drive their own vehicles for considerably less money than the minimum they would receive under the Road Haulage Wages Orders. They are undercutting the established drivers and leading the customer to suppose that drivers are available elsewhere at similar rates of pay.

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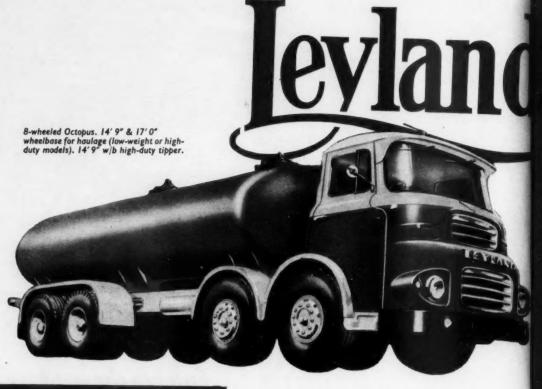
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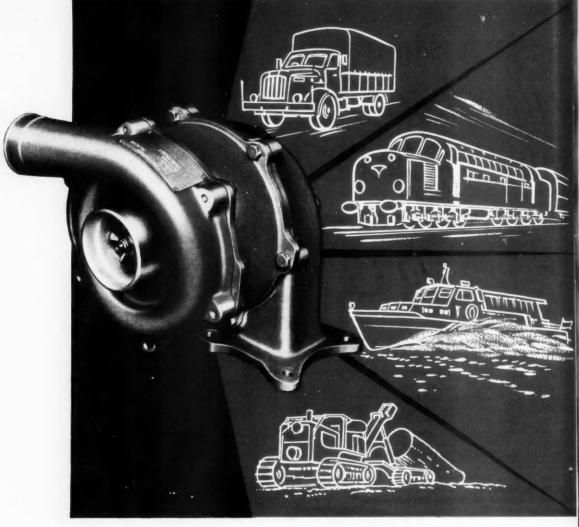
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Letters to the Editor

A Harder Nut to Crack

REFERRING to "Smoke Signals" in your issue of August 12, I cannot agree that it is as easy to obtain licences in South Wales as in the Western Area, even when Mr. T. D. Corpe conducts the case. We are all well aware of his ability in the traffic courts, and particularly in the preparation before the hearing. Further, it is not new for Mr. Corpe to appear in the South Wales traffic courts, as I think I was one of the first hauliers to engage him, in 1947, when he was successful in a rather ambitious

application.

Many of your readers are already aware of the A licences that have been granted, on the production of figures only, to Western Area operators to carry steel, and I very much doubt whether Mr. Idris Owen, South Wales Licensing Authority, would make a similar grant, even if Mr. Corpe conducted the case. Mr. Corpe has of late successfully taken a number of cases for South Wales operators, but I understand that there were plenty of supporting witnesses, and the earnings of the vehicles submitted to the Licensing Authority were far in excess of those of any Western Area operator.

Triley Bridge.

J. M. WATKINS.

Laws Enough on Smoking

READING a Parliamentary report in *The Commercial Motor*, I was amused, and then annoyed, about the comment on the emission of smoke by diesel-engined vehicles. How stupid can our so-called leaders, law-makers and enforcers be? There are laws enough and to spare if they are enforced properly and without bias. There is already one relating to excess smoke.

When I was travelling by car I noticed a Governmentowned vehicle ahead belching thick black smoke, which caused a line of traffic to fall behind it, as the road was completely obscured. I eventually overtook it, and, pulling up near a police patrol, suggested that he should do something about it. He said: "You cannot do a thing about

these big vehicles."

I replied that he could and would if the vehicle had been owned by a private concern, because the driver of one of our own vehicles had been warned by a patrol when it had just come back from the makers' service depot for replacement injectors.

Take a look at cars—often quite new—and motorcycles, but how often do you hear of a fine for excessive smoke? Buses are prime offenders.

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[Bus operators may care to defend themselves against this charge.—ED.]

Mr. Jolliffe Unfair to R.H.A.

WITH reference to the report headed, "Mr. Jolliffe Criticizes R.H.A.: 'Tell Members to Give Proper Figures'" (The Commercial Motor, August 26), I would like to point out, so far as licensing matters are concerned, the service provided by the North Western (Western) Area of the Road Haulage Association for members is essentially advisory, and even the wisest advice is often disregarded or misinterpreted.

While the Association does its best to advise members

regarding the production of the necessary figures and information, it cannot itself produce them; this must be left to the applicant and his accountant. In the case which provoked Mr. Jolliffe's comments the Association had, in fact, done everything that it could reasonably be expected to do.

Your readers will, no doubt, sympathize with my feeling that what seems to have been a publicly expressed general criticism of this Association's advisory service to its members ought not to have been made solely because of the manner of presentation of a particular application to the North Western Deputy Licensing Authority.

London, W.I.

G. K. NEWMAN Chief Executive Officer, Road Haulage Association.

What "The Hawk" Didn't See

In his comment (August 12) on a traffic survey reported in the Observer, "The Hawk" seems to have missed one small fact. The conductors of the survey were reported to have "booked" a vehicle only when some fault was committed. Thus it was not a survey of driving by classes. It was more of a survey of the prevalence of certain types of driving fault among the more irresponsible (?) drivers in each of the classes into which the traffic was subdivided.

Durham.

R. H. Moor.

Loans to Employees Are Bad

MAY I point out to "Trunkie" (The Commercial Motor, September 2) that hire-purchase companies are understanding in cases of genuine hardship, and in many instances will cancel an outstanding debt. Some banks also operate a "personal-loan" scheme and, judging from what I read in the newspapers, it is easier for anyone to obtain such a loan than for a man with an established business to get an overdraft.

I fail to understand why "Trunkie" should blame the employer more than the employee, because, according to him, the employer was never at any time approached for a loan. The driver in the instance quoted was on a good thing if he had got away with it—no principal or interest to repay and someone else to stand the loss.

Loans to employees result in one of two things: (1) The employee concerned leaves after a month or so, in which case the employer has to put his ex-employee in court to recover the debt; or (2) the employee makes overtime in

order to pay off the debt.

I am no cynic. After all, I started at the bottom and am by no means at the top of the ladder, but I have always lived within my income. However, I do notice that the "little chaps" mentioned by "Trunkie" are wise to every fiddle under the sun and at the same time are the first to protest if anything affects them personally.

So far as security goes, to give a stranger the keys of a vehicle is dishonest, and no amount of instructions will prevent a driver doing a trick like that if he is so minded. Any driver convicted of theft in the course of his employment should have his licence endorsed with the fact.

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(Right) The new Midland "Red" D.10 under floor-engined double-decker can seat 78 passengers. The entrance is ahead of the near-side front wheel. (Below) Excellent driving vision is a feature of the design, and the neat gear-change switch on the facia will be noted.



A underfloor-engined double-deck bus has been built by the Birmingham and Midland Motor Omnibus Co., Ltd., and the vehicle has already been used on experimental service on various company routes. The D.10, as it is known, has 78 seats, disc front brakes, and rubber suspension with independently suspended front wheels. It is of integral construction.

Preliminary details of the D.10 were published in the November 14, 1958, issue of *The Commercial Motor*. At that time it had been intended that the bus should have 79 seats. Since the original details were released, however, a straight staircase has been adopted. This has reduced the lower-saloon seating capacity from 36 to 35, although luggage accommodation has been slightly increased.

Three Body Styles

The layout of the bus is such that 80 seats could be accommodated with a different staircase arrangement, whilst either a front or a rear entrance could be incorporated, with the third alternative of a front entrance and a rear exit. The second bus, at present under construction, has this third layout.

These advantages are principally derived from the location of the engine horizontally amidships. So that the engine does not interfere with the provision of a flat lower-saloon gangway, the unit is offset to the near side of the body with its cylinder heads facing towards the centre of the bus. The bump in the floor needed to give clearance over the clutch housing can be beneath one of the seats.

The power unit of the D.10 is a horizontal version of the B.M.M.O. 10.5-litre oil engine, the original vertical design of which is used in the D.9 forward-engined



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double-decker. The power output is derated to 127 b.h.p. at 1,700 r.p.m., and the maximum torque output is 465 lb.-fr. at i,000 r.p.m.

A C.A.V. fuel-injection pump with twospeed centrifugal governor is employed, and the engine carries a Self-Changing Gears Fluid-Friction coupling.

Unit-mounted with the engine is a Self-Changing Gears R.V.28 hydraulically operated semi-automatic gearbox which incorporates auxiliary section at its rear end to offset the drive line towards the centre of the bus. This auxiliary gearing does not change the main gearbox ratios, which are 4.28, 2.43, 1.59 and 1

A transfer box at the rear of the R.V.28 semiautomatic hydraulically operated gearbox transers the drive line towards the centre of the bus. in the light of experience with the prototype D.9, drum brakes are fitted to the rear axle. These are 17-in-diameter cam-operated units, with 6.5-in-wide linings. The total rear-brake frictional area is 424 sq. in.

B.M.M.O.-Girling 16-in.-diameter discs are used at the front, and these give a total friction-pad area of 68 sq. in. A



to 1, with a reverse ratio of 5.97 to 1. An electric gear-change control is employed, and this is actuated by a short lever mounted on a facia panel to the left of the steering column.

A short propeller shaft with Hardy Spicer needle-roller universal joints connects the output shaft of the transfer box to the underslung-worm-drive rear axle. The gearing, which effects a reduction of 5.5 to 1, is offset to the near side, as with the axle of a conventional double-decker.

The original design specification included disc brakes at all wheels, but

Lockheed continuous-flow powered hydraulic system actuates both sets of brakes, and mineral oil is used in the system to withstand the high front-brake temperatures.

The Marles cam-and-double-roller steering has a Hydrosteer hydraulic servo, and the steering-gear ratio is 28.5 to 1. As with all recent Midland "Red" passenger vehicles, Metalastik rubber suspension units are employed at all wheels, these components giving variable rate characteristics.

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Metalastik toggle-link suspension units carried transversely ahead of and behind the wheels form the rear suspension, with two rubber-bushed radius arms providing longitudinal location.

The layout of the suspension system is such that good anti-roll characteristics are obtained, and these combine with the low centre of gravity of the complete forward longitudinal seat on the near side.

Rearwards of this point the gangway is flat, but all the near-side seats are on a platform 3 in. above the gangway level to clear the engine and gearbox.

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The driver is separated from the loading platform by a waist-high partition, part of which forms a door to give access to the driving seat, there being no door in the off side of the body.

Immediately behind the driving compartment is the staircase. This has eight steps, six of which lie against the body side, so providing a straightforward layout to speed and assist passenger loading and unloading with safety. Beneath the staircase there is a two-shelf luggage compartment.

A three-passenger longitudinal scat is located opposite the staircase on the near side, whilst behind the staircase there is a single inward-facing seat. On the near side of the lower saloon there are five rows of paired seats with the latest

of Vynide, Vyweld, colour-impregnated glass fibre and Formica for the interior finishes, whilst, as usual with current Midland "Red" buses, a high proportion of the exterior panelling is of plastics.

The D.10 has an overall length of 30 ft. and its wheelbase is 16 ft. 9 in. The overall unladen height is 14 ft. 6 in., and the unladen weight is quoted as 8 tons 10½ cwt. This is only 4 cwt. greater than the weight of the D.9 72-seat bus, despite the additional seating capacity.

A second D.10 is at present under construction in the Midland "Red" works at Edgbaston, and this differs from the original prototype in having a separate exit behind the near-side wheel, with an adjacent staircase in the off side of the body to speed unloading of the upper saloon.

This arrangement sacrifices 11 seats when compared with the first bus, but the platform at the rear is large and should

Has Engine Under the Floor

vehicle (afforded by the underfloor engine location) to give a high degree of stability. The bus has been tilt-tested to 33°. Dampers are fitted at front and rear.

B.75 wheels are used at the front, and these carry 11.00-20-in. tyre equipment, whilst at the rear the 6.00-20-in. twin wheels have 10.00-20-in. (12-ply) tyres. A 35-gallon fuel tank is located on the off side of the vehicle opposite the engine and the electrical system is 24v.

The metal-framed body has 43 seats in the upper saloon and 35 downstairs. The first vehicle has an entrance ahead of the front wheels, and this is enclosed by electrically operated double-jack-knife doors.

There is a step 9½ in, high between the entrance steps and the main loading platform, and from this higher level the gangway is ramped up a further 3 in., the slope terminating at the rear of the Midland "Red" individual squab treatment, and on the off side there are four rows.

The remaining seats in the lower saloon comprise two four-passenger inward-facing seats over the rear wheels and a five-passenger transverse seat at the rear, immediately ahead of which on the off side there is an emergency door.

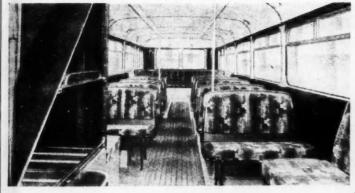
The upper-saloon seating layout is quite conventional and in both saloons Accles and Pollock tubular seat frames with Dunlopillo cushion fillings are employed. The upper-saloon floor is wooden slatted, whilst the 4-in. plywood lower-saloon floor is covered with a cork-rubber compound. There are two Smith's R.550 heater units in the lower saloon and one in the upper.

Used-ticket boxes are provided in both saloons, and the interior decoration scheme is a combination of peony red and white. Extensive use has been made

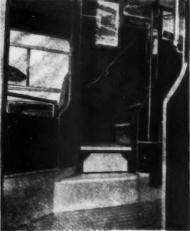
do much to reduce the time lost at bus stops, particularly during peak periods. The side emergency door of the original design is replaced by a full-height door located centrally in the rear panelling of the lower saloon.

The D.10 is believed to be the first underfloor-engined double-decker to go into fleet service in Great Britain (although at least one other design of this type has been built in this country). A private demonstration of the bus was held in Birmingham last week, and this showed the vehicle to be a pleasant one in which to ride.

Passengers in the upper saloon can hardly hear the power unit at all, whilst in the lower saloon the engine noise seems to be lower than in a normalunderfloor-engined single-decker, despite the absence of special sound insulation under the floor. Smooth, roll-free riding was another marked feature of the bus.



(Above) The lower saloon seats 35 passengers and, as can be seen, the gangway is level throughout its length. The engine is beneath the near-side seats, with its crankshaft towards the outside of the body. There is an emergency exit on the off side, immediately ahead of the rearmost seat. (Right) A straight staircase layout has been adopted to assist passenger movement.



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Planning for Profit

This Dodge tipper with third-axle conversion is employed by J. Johncey and Sons, Ltd., Moreton-in-Marsh, primarily for the transport of bulk grain, but may also be used to carry coke in bulk, or a variety of sacked loads. The light-alloy body was built by Duramin Engineering (Lydney), Ltd. Pilot tipping gear is fitted. H.R. Wilson-Scott, Ltd., supplied the vehicle.



Bigger Loads at Lower Cost

THE 5-ton four-wheeler of a few years ago has been supplanted in popularity by the quantity-produced 7-tonner. For those operators who require a 10-tonner, a number of manufacturers endorse third-axle conversions of such models.

To show the advantages which can be obtained by operating this type of vehicle I will give the respective costs of running a quantity-produced 7-ton oiler and a third-axle conversion of the same chassis, on the assumption that both average 900 miles per week.

With an unladen weight of 3 tons 4 cwt., this 7-ton oiler has an annual licence duty of £38 15s., equivalent to 15s. 6d. per week, calculated on a 50-week year. This allows for two weeks when the vehicle may be off the road for repairs or driver's holiday. Including allowances for holidays with pay and insurance contributions, the driver's wages will be assessed at £9 11s. 6d. Rent and rates in respect of garaging the vehicle will be 11s. 9d.

The annual insurance premium for this vehicle will amount to £42, or 16s, 10d, per week. With interest charged at a nominal rate of 3 per cent. on the initial outlay of £1,300, this item amounts to 15s. 7d, per week, resulting in a total of standing costs of £12 11s. 2d. Assuming an average weekly mileage of 900, the operating cost will be 3,35d, per mile.

With oil fuel purchased in bulk at 3s. 104d per gallon, and an average rate of consumption of 15 m.p.g., fuel cost per mile will be 3.12d. Lubricants will add 0.25d. A set of

Third-axle Conversions May Allow Loads to be Carried at a Rate Per Ton Lower than if a Four-wheeler Were Used, But Sufficient Traffic Has to be Available

8.25-20-in. 12-ply tyres will cost £186, and assuming a moderat mileage life of 30,000, tyre costs per mile will amount to 1.496 Maintenance is assessed at 2.34d, per mile.

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The total running cost is therefore 8.72d, and the total operating cost 12.07d, per mile. At 900 miles per week the total running cost will amount to £32 14s., and the total operating cost £45 5s. 2d. per week.

Dealing now with the six-wheeler, in addition to the cost of the actual conversion of approximately £550, there will also be additional expenditure because of chassis modifications and the cost of the extended platform body. A total of £700 will therefore be allowed for the complete conversion, giving an initial cost of £2,000 for this six-wheeler, with a gross weight of 15 tons, and a carrying capacity of at least 10 tons.

The unladen weight will now be 4 tons 13 cwt., and the

annual licence duty £65, equivalent to £1 6s. per week. Wages will remain the same at £9 11s. 6d., on the assumption that the load carried will still be in the category of 5-10 tons.

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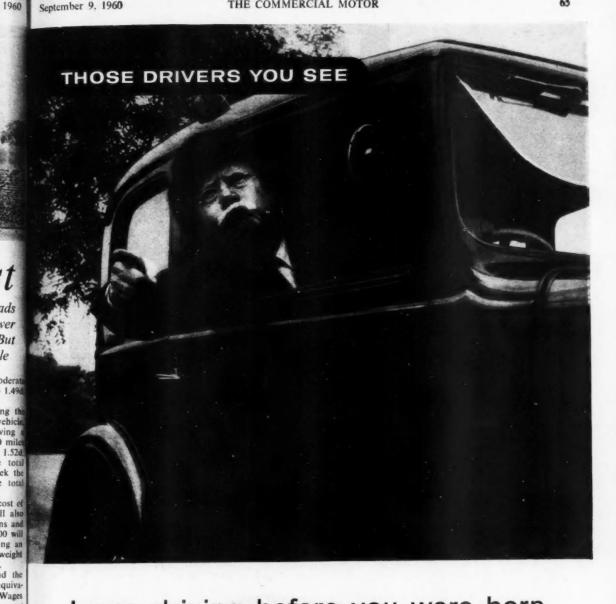
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An extended Austin chassis forms the basis of this 1,400-cu.-ft. pantechnicon built by J. H. Jennings and Son, Ltd. Internal dimensions are: length, 23 ft.; width, 7 ft.; height, 7 ft. 6 in. At the rear is a full-width well, with a 3 ft. 6 in. tailboard and double doors. Exterior panels are of aluminium-faced plywood. Harrison and Jones, Ltd., Liverpool, are the operators.



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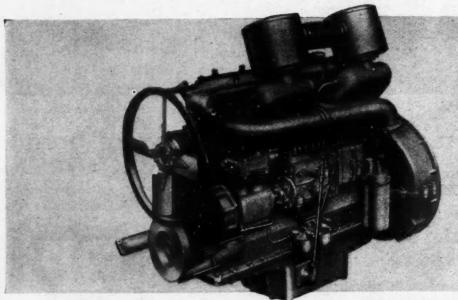
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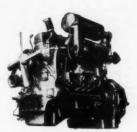
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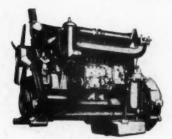
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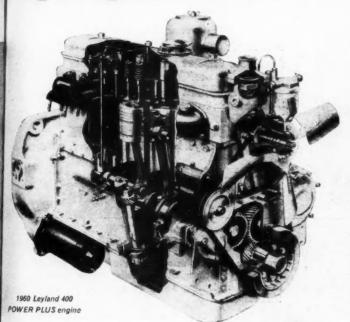


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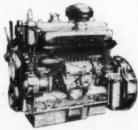
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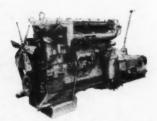


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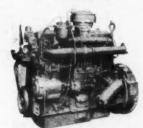




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because of the higher cost and carrying capacity, the annual insurance premium will now amount to £60, or £1 4s. per week. Interest will also be raised to £1 4s., giving a total weekly standing cost of £13 17s. 9d. Standing cost per mile will be 3.70d., still allowing an average of 900 miles a week.

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It will be assumed that the rate of fuel consumption will now be 12 m.p.g. and, with the cost per gallon remaining at 3s. 10\frac{3}{2}d., fuel cost per mile becomes 3.90d. Lubricants are reckoned fractionally higher at 0.26d. a mile. With a total of 10 tyres needed, instead of six for the four-wheeler, the cost per set is raised to £310 and the cost per mile to 2.48d.

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may be achieved by using maximum-load eight-wheelers, such vehicles are often outside the scope of the smaller operator, because of the comparatively high initial outlay required, and the lack of a continued volume of traffic to justify their operation.

The third-axle conversion of well-proven quantity-produced four-wheelers can therefore provide an ideal compromise for such operators. In practice, where a small operator was contemplating the purchase of a larger vehicle, the need would

probably stem from a guarantee of increased tonnage on the outward journey, but with no immediate likelihood of greater loads on the return trip. Assuming this was the case, the 10-tonner would still carry 60 tons per week on the outward trips, but would return with only 3½ tons a day—half the load of the 7-tonner—resulting in a weekly total of 81 tons.

Even under these conditions, however, the cost of

movin, higher-smaller margin traffic

Messrs. Marti and Co., Othmarsingen, Switzerland, wholesale meat merchants, operate this Bedford normal-control refrigerated van. The bodywork, which is panelled in patterned aluminium sheets, was built by Messrs. Steinmann, Aarau. Flashing direction indicators have been fitted in the front wings. The refrigeration equipment is of the Universal type.

Maintenance is increased to 2.90d. and, applying the same method as before, the cost of depreciation is raised to 2.30d. This gives a total running cost of 11.84d., and a total operating cost of 15.54d. per mile. Corresponding costs per week are 44 8s, and £58 5s, 9d.

Applying these results to possible traffic conditions, it will be assumed that the average weekly mileage of 900 consists of six daily trips of 150 miles each. Accepting an average overall loading of 75 per cent., we will further assume that the vehicles are fully loaded on the outward journey, and half loaded on return.

The 7-tonner will then move 63 tons during the week, made up of six loads of 7 tons on the outward journeys, and a further six loads of 3½ tons on the return. With a total operating cost per week of £45 5s. 2d. this gives an overall cost per ton of lds. 41d.

The six-wheeler, under similar conditions, will carry six loads of 10 tons on the outward journeys, and half that amount on the return, making a weekly total of 90 tons. Although the cost of operating this vehicle is £13 0s. 7d. more than the four-wheeler, the resulting cost per ton for the larger vehicle is 12s. 114d. a ton.

Although the cost per ton is expected to be lower as the size of vehicle increases, it is significant here that this substantial reduction has been achieved whilst still operating a vehicle in the moderate price range. Although even greater economy

moving this traffic with the six-wheeler would be only a little higher—14s. 4\(\frac{3}{4}\)d. instead of 14s. 4\(\frac{1}{2}\)d. per ton—than with the smaller vehicle. Moreover, there would obviously be a greater-margin available on the 10-tonner should increased return traffic be obtained.

In addition to relative operating costs, other factors might have to be considered before determining whether it would be economic to employ a rigid six-wheeler.

Assuming that an articulated vehicle was not suitable, it has to be conceded that the performance of a basic 7-tonner must normally be better than the converted counterpart. However, as these conversions have the approval of manufacturers, there is no doubt as to their roadworthiness.

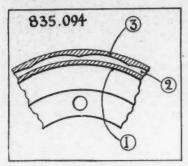
Because most of the conversions are being made on popular 7-tonners, acquisition of such vehicles should not disrupt standardization. Existing stocks of spares would probably prove adequate to ensure vehicles being available for service to the maximum extent. Apart from greater carrying capacity which the third-axle conversion makes available, the corresponding increase in platform length may prove of equal attraction to some operators.

The extra 4 ft. or 5 ft. may offer more convenience for pallet loading, or provide more scope for conveying indivisible loads not sufficiently large to justify the use of special vehicles. Advantage may also be taken of the additional platform length to load vehicles to a lower overall height and so reduce any tendency to roll. Despite every precaution which prudent operators may take to avoid overloading, traffic requirements may necessitate it in exceptional circumstances. On such occasions rigid six-wheelers of this type provide a substantial margin between the manufacturers' and legal gross weight limitations.

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Drum-brake Cooling

WITH liquid-cooled drum brakes there is a tendency for the liquid to be flung outwards under centrifugal force, leaving the hot inner surface dry. design intended to overcome this defect is covered by patent No. 835,094. (Vaux-hall Motors, Ltd., Luton.)



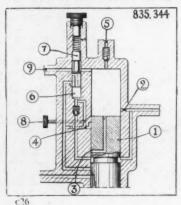
The drawing shows a section of the improved drum in which the shoes contact the inner surface (1). A closed jacket (2) is formed around the working diameter and this is partially filled with liquid. The undulating surface (3) is the main feature of the design. When running the liquid is flung outwards, but deceleration produced by braking causes the undulations to throw it inwards on to the hot surface.

Suitable liquids are water, a saline solution or glycol. The liquid used should boil at the maximum permitted operating temperature to make use of its latent heat of evaporation.

SELF-GOVERNING INJECTION PUMP

N injection pump that automatically A reduces its output with increasing speed is described in patent No. 835,344. This is effected by a by-pass port controlled by a hydraulic dashpot. (P. Bessiere, 55 Boulevard du Commandant Charcot, Neuilly-sur-Seine, France.)

Referring to the drawing, the pump shown operates as follows: on the plunger (1) down-stroke, fuel under slight pressure enters the pump space through a restricted inlet (2). Near top dead centre, injection terminates when a port (3) meets a discharge port (4). Delivery takes place through the valved exit (5).



The supply port also charges a chamber (6) and in doing so lifts a slide valve (7) against its spring. This valve, once

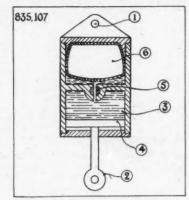
the fuel supply to it has been cut off, descends at a constant rate determined by the adjustable leak control screw (8).

When the valve is up, injection is prevented because an auxiliary spill port (9) is open. As the valve descends it closes this port and permits injection to occur. Because the movement of the valve is constant in time, it follows that a higher engine speed results in a reduced charge

HYDRO-PNEUMATIC DAMPER

SUSPENSION shock-absorber and A stabilizer is the subject of patent No. 835,107. By operating a valve, the unit can act either as a resilient member or as a rigid link. (Demag-Zug G.m.b.H., Wetter, Ruhr, Germany.)

The unit shown in the drawing is pivoted on the chassis frame (1). At the bottom, a piston rod (2) is pivoted on the



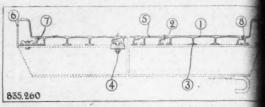
The lower space (3) is filled with liquid and, under load, movement of the piston (4) forces the liquid upwards. It passes through a valve (5) and reaches the upper chamber to compress an air-bag (6) which acts as a spring.

If the valve between the two chambers is closed, a hydraulic lock is created and the device becomes a rigid member to maintain a constant frame height.

LIGHT-ALLOY FLOORING

PATENT No. 835,260 shows a lightalloy extruded section that can be used as planking for vehicle floors. (The Duramin Engineering Co., Ltd., Standard Road, Park Royal, London, N.W.10.)

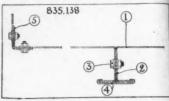
The drawing shows a cross-section of a complete floor assembly intended for medium-weight commercial vehicles. The main plank (1) is 9 in, wide and is formed at its edges to a tongue-and-groove section (2). It is provided on its underside with bearer legs (3) which are clamped on the floor cross-bearers by special T-bolts (4). Narrower planks (5) provide any desired width to the nearest inch.



Side raves (6) complete the assen To avoid the necessity of ma different joints, all are female. The to of the plank completes the joint on side (7) but on the other, a special ro enables the two grooves to be united.

BODYBUILDING SECTIONS

METHOD of construction shown patent No. 835,138 enables a stre and rigid body to be produced at relatively low cost. It is particularly suitable for metal cattle-truck bodies. (H. Car michael and Carmichael and Sons (Wor cester), Ltd., The Butts, Worcester.)



The drawing shows a plan section of the main constructional unit. This is channel-section panel (1) which, when assembled, has its right-angled faces (2 fixed to the adjacent member by bolts (3) The joint can be hidden by a capping (4). Alternatively, a complete covering panel can be attached to the flanges to form a box section and give a smooth face on each side.

At corners, the panel can be bent in the opposite direction (as shown at 5) and bolted to the upright members. The patent gives details of two types of roof, and of the construction of a hinged loading ramp.

MAIN-BEARING SEAL

PATENT No. 838,576 shows a scaling arrangement for crankcases, particularly for the rear main bearing. scheme employs an oil thrower, a sealing ring and a seal between the bearing and its housing. The patent comes from General Motors Corp., Detroit, Michigan, U.S.A.

DEAD MAN'S HANDLE

To guard against accidents caused by collapse of the driver, patent No. 839,086 shows a scheme in which the ignition is automatically switched off and the brakes applied in such circumstances. The patent comes from S. Cargill, Garth Mill. Ffnnogroew, Holywell, North Wales.

SUSPENSION BALL JOINTS

THREE patents giving details of ball-joints designed primarily for vehicle suspension systems come from V. Langen, 190 Hansa-Allee, Düsseldorf-Oberkassel, Germany. They are numbered 838,457; 838.458 and 839.396.

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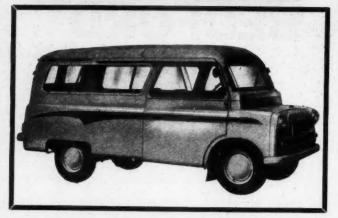
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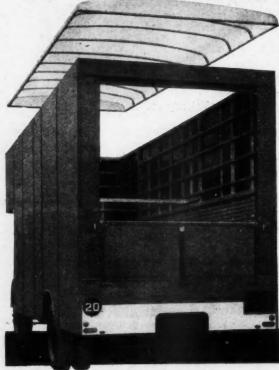
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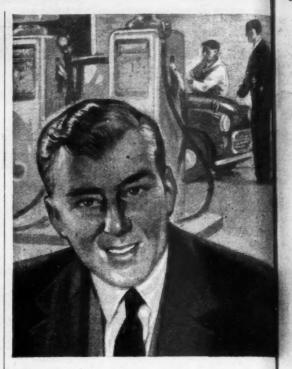
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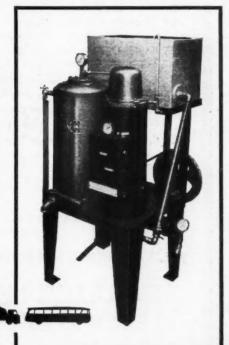
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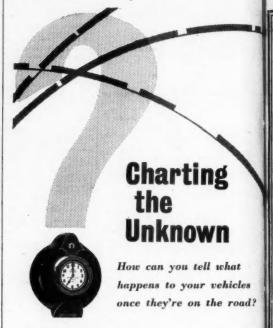
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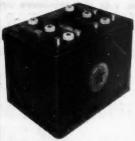
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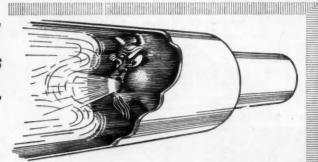
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